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## BATTLE BREWING NEAR PEIPING

Peiping, June 6.  
The Nationalists and Red forces are moving toward collision somewhere northeast of Peiping. Fu Tso-yi's headquarters said today. A Red column is in the vicinity of Miyun on the Peiping-Jehol railway, 40 miles northeast of Peiping.

## NO ILL FEELING TO USA

Nanking, June 5.  
Mr. Wang Shih-chieh, Foreign Minister, declared tonight that though the Chinese and United States Governments might hold different views on the disposal of certain categories of Japanese industries, he was convinced that neither Government would want to permit the military resurgence of Japan.

In a statement designed to answer the charges that the United States authorities were fostering Japanese militarism, Mr. Wang said "It is inconceivable that the United States Government would encourage the resurgence of the Japanese military machine." He declared that the Chinese policy towards Japan has been clear and consistent. Mr. Wang said that while there must be definite safeguards against Japanese militarism, "we also recognize the necessity of enabling Japan gradually to develop to be self-supporting."

## MUSLIM AID TO PALESTINE

Algiers, June 5.  
The formation of a committee for aid to Palestine, comprising representatives of all Moslem factions, was announced here today.

The committee will study ways and means of giving concrete assistance to the Arab cause in Palestine. —Reuter.

The Nationalists are near Tanghsien, railtown 13 miles east of Peiping, marching north to meet the Reds. The Nationalists belong to the command of General Shang Kuan Yu-shiang, one of General Fu Tso-yi's leading subordinates.

In Jehol, the Nationalists attacked the Reds south of Chengteh, provincial capital, and drove them back several miles, the headquarters claimed. It said that at the same time Nationalist planes bombed and strafed Red positions around the city. In one assault, west of Chengteh more than 400 Reds out of a force of 2,000 were killed.

## Railways Damaged

Meanwhile, the Reds caused further damage to North China railways. Guerrillas blew up a bridge on the Peiping-Mukden line between Tangshan, 80 miles northeast of Tientsin, and the Great Wall.

The Reds also tried to raid Beichuan, a station near the scene of the destruction, but were foiled by the Nationalists. Result of the damage was that Manchuria-bound trains from Peiping and Tientsin were unable to travel beyond Tangshan, and repairs are being rushed.

Other dispatches said that a freight train on the Peiping-Tientsin railway was blown up by a Red band near Yangtsun, 29 miles from Tientsin. The wreckage was removed and the line repaired by midday. The Reds also damaged the Peiping-Jehol railway near Miyun. —Associated Press.

## MIDWAY BATTLE CITED

Washington, June 5.  
The U.S. Navy today cited the historic battle of Midway as further argument for building big carriers to serve as fleet airbases.

Fleet Admiral Ernest King, wartime chief naval operations, said that the Midway fight, which ended just six years ago, "demonstrated the versatile power of a mobile airbase in a defensive situation." —United Press.

## MOST POWERFUL ATOMIC CANNON

Washington, June 6.  
The Atomic Energy Commission announced today that the world's most powerful atomic cannon of its type will be built at Los Alamos, New Mexico. It will be an electrostatic accelerator capable of firing nuclear projectiles up to 12,000,000 and in special cases 30,000,000 electron volts.

The new research tool will be at least three times more powerful than any other atom smasher of its kind in existence. It will cost \$2,000,000 and take two years to build. The site of the accelerator is at the Los Alamos scientific laboratory operated for the Commission by the University of California.

Some other kinds of atomic bombardment cannon—cyclotrons, synchrotrons and such—generate energies higher than those to be developed at Los Alamos.

## CONCESSIONS ON GERMANY "MUTUAL"

Paris, June 6.  
A Foreign Office spokesman today denied that France acceded to Anglo-American wishes in the recent London Conference on Germany and said that concessions were "mutual."

The denial was an official answer to widespread charges in the French press that the French delegation had "sold out" the nation's security in agreeing among other things to a federal form of Government for Germany.

The spokesman pointed out that both England and the United States made equal concessions in agreeing on an international authority for the Ruhr.

He quoted the United States and British statements made at the 1947 Moscow Big Four meeting in which both said flatly that they could never accept an international Ruhr authority. This he said was an indication of the extent of their concessions in London.

France on the other hand gave in on the question of a federal Government, he conceded. The spokesman said that the French Government had endorsed the agreements made at London and will back Foreign Minister Georges Bidault in the critical Assembly debate on Tuesday on foreign affairs. —United Press.

## COMMISSION ON KOREA RETURNS

Shanghai, June 6.  
The United Nations Commission on Korea is scheduled to leave Seoul by chartered plane early tomorrow (Monday) morning. The Commission has been drawing up its report on the South Korean elections while in Shanghai for the past two weeks and will return to Korea to "take up regular duties," according to a spokesman. —United Press.

## American Outpost In The North

Alaska is America's outpost against any threat from the East. This weekend 500 U.S. soldiers were flown there because of an emergency whose nature was not disclosed.

In recent weeks, larger forces have been travelling North over the Alaska Highway, a vital, tenuous link in the pattern of defence, which follows the trail of an earlier army of gold-rush pioneers of the 1890's.

Tourists in gleaming new roadsters and battered old jalopies are bowling along the 1500-mile long highway.

This greatest strategic military road of North America has just been freed from all travel restrictions for the first time. But tourists are still outnumbered by huge 20-ton lorries hauling military supplies to United States bases in Alaska. Overhead, transport planes drone along the north-west staging route while fighters roar northwards to reinforce American air bases.

The Highway was started soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor, when Alaska was an outpost facing the Japanese. Following the route, linking existing Canadian airfields, teams of United States Army engineers cleared trees and bridged the rivers.

The road was completed in seven months, at an estimated cost of \$100,000,000. Canada now maintains the Highway, which is a valuable training ground for her military engineers. It is, in better shape to-day than ever before.

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## RUSSIANS SEIZE MAIL CARS

Berlin, June 6.  
Russian border guards at Marienborn near the British Zone boundary in Germany today took into custody five German freight cars carrying mail, a British spokesman disclosed.

Three German trains were detained but were allowed later in the day to proceed, he said. The five cars were detached from one of the trains.

The Russian guards said the mail cars did not have the proper documents. The British spokesman said the documents had been in order when the trains left Berlin for the Western Zones. —United Press.

## RUSSIAN RECORD IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, June 5.  
The Secretary of the Interior, Ferdinand Graf, today charged that the Soviets and their satellites had "kidnapped, arrested or simply caused to disappear over 500 Austrians" since the beginning of the Allied occupation three years ago.

Graf told a People's Party rally at Krems in the Soviet Zone that Austrian-Government officials and ordinary citizens "start trembling when their telephones or door bells start ringing, because they fear they will be arrested by some non-Austrian."

Apparently referring to a recent incident involving Soviet intelligence and Austrian informants in the First District, Graf cautioned Austrians not to "work for Allied intelligence organizations."

"You might be kidnapped, and you endanger yourself and your father and mother if you do this," he said.

The Secretary said he had to talk about kidnappings and disappearances because "every spy is in the streets of Vienna knows it already."

"The Government has to warn the people and tell them how to prevent such incidents," United Press.

Oslo, June 5.  
A Norwegian Foreign Office spokesman was unable tonight to confirm or deny the London reports that Mr. Ernest Bevin had had informal talks on Scandinavian defence problems recently with the Norwegian and Danish Ambassadors. —Reuter.

Fort Smith, Arkansas, June 5.  
Slamming twin girls were born here yesterday and died today, 24 hours after their premature birth. —United Press.

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## LISBON TRIAL OF HIGH OFFICERS

Lisbon, June 5.  
Allegations of police pressure were made by an aged witness at the second day of the military court trial at Lisbon of 13 high-ranking Army and Navy officers and prominent citizens.

All are charged with attempting to overthrow the regime of Dr. Antonio de Oliveira Salazar, Premier and virtual ruler of Portugal for the past 20 years.

Professor Jono Sonner, 70-year-old former Colonel Minister told the court he cannot support statements that the police claimed were signed by me because they were done under terrible strain after twenty sleepless nights that brought hallucinations to my mind.

Three other defendants so far heard were Vice Admiral Jose Mendes Cabecadas, Brigadier Vasco de Carvalho and Brigadier Antonio Maja—claimed they were Nationalist supporters who helped bring Salazar to power, but accused the regime of needing "certain purges" to ensure its stability.

Vice-Admiral Cabecadas, most prominently charged with being the leader of the alleged abortive military uprising of April 1947. —Associated Press

The British Military Governor told correspondents that the British authorities were studying the order which appeared to be a "unilateral action directly in conflict with four-power agreement on the Government of Berlin."

The British Military Governor, General Sir Brian Robertson, meanwhile told correspondents here that while steel production in Germany has been going up steadily, coal production is now seriously low.

He said one of the causes of low production was the war and tear on mining machinery, but this was now being countered by the import of 20,000 tons of steel from Luxembourg to be set aside for the manufacture of such machinery. —Reuter.

102 GUERRILLAS  
KILLED  
Athens, June 5.  
Greek guerrillas lost 102 killed and 27 prisoners in an action to the north of Kavala in Eastern Macedonia, the Greek General Staff, announced in a communiqué today.

Greek Army losses were three killed and six wounded. In Central Macedonia, Greek forces attacking Litochoron, near Mount Olympus, were repulsed, leaving 15 dead and 400 prisoners. —Reuter.

Karachi, June 6.  
Possible future participation of a Pakistan Volunteer Corps in the Palestine conflict was mentioned today when the Pakistan Central Palestine Aid Committee met under the Pakistan Premier, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan. —Reuter.

## Deciding Attitude To German Currency Reform

Berlin, June 5.  
Marshal Sokolovsky, the Soviet Military Governor of Germany, has called a special meeting of his leading financial and political advisers at his Berlin quarters for Monday.

Certain German political circles in close touch with Soviet headquarters at Karlshorst indicated that the meeting would decide the Soviet attitude on currency reform which, it is reported, is due to take place in Western Germany during this month.

Last-minute Soviet readiness to reopen four-power discussions on currency reform for all of Germany was foreshadowed by political circles here tonight. They quoted as significant a

leading article in the Soviet-licensed Berlin paper Nacht, Express appealing to the French Military Governor, General Pierre Koenig, to call a meeting of the Allied Control Council before June 15, widely reported here to be the deadline for currency reform in the Western Zones.

The Inter-Allied Secretariat will hold a routine meeting next Monday and it will be known then whether any of the four Allied Commanders have asked the French Chairman to call a meeting. —Reuter.

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## DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL ON FRIDAY

The Dragon Boat Festival, first of the major festivals in the Chinese Year, which falls on the 5th day of the 5th Moon, will be observed by the Chinese community on Friday, June 11.

The Chinese community are busy on preparations for this most popular of Chinese festivals. Chinese restaurants and tea-houses are already displaying for sale, a full range of rice dumplings—the most important item to be eaten at the festive board on the day of the festival.

### US Afghan Legation Elevated

Washington, June 5. The State Department announced today that the American Legation at Kabul, Afghanistan, will be elevated to Embassy status today, when the Ambassador-designate, Mr. Ely Palmer, presents his letters of credence to the King of Afghanistan.

The new Ambassador has been serving as Minister to Afghanistan since December, 1945. The Government of Afghanistan indicated its willingness to exchange Ambassadors last March and has designated His Royal Highness, Sadat Mohammed Naim Khan, a cousin of the King, and formerly Afghan Minister to London, as the first Ambassador to the United States.

The Afghan Legation becomes an Embassy when His Royal Highness presents his letters of credence to the President. He will sail for the United States aboard the "Queen Mary" from Southampton on June 17.—Reuter.

As usual with the approach of a festival, prices of various items required for the festival, particularly foodstuffs from the markets, have shown a slight increase. The colourful dragon boat races, without which the festival is never complete, will be held as usual and dragon boats, which have been lying idle since the last festival, are being overhauled and repainted in readiness for next Friday's celebrations.

#### Story's Origin

The festival owes its origin to a story concerning a famous Chinese statesman named Wat Yun, an honest and upright man who exerted all his efforts towards alleviating the sufferings of the masses. On many occasions, Wat Yun is said to have brought to the notice of the Emperor, reforms which he considered necessary. However, other advisers to the Emperor, who cared little about the plight of the poor people, had no difficulty in overcoming Wat Yun's efforts to improve the lot of the common folk.

In a moment of despair, Wat Yun is said to have drowned himself. When news of this tragic event came to the ears of the Emperor, he immediately ordered the Imperial dragon boats to search the river for the body of Wat Yun. All efforts to recover the body were unsuccessful. The story goes on to say that on one occasion, Wat Yun's spirit appeared and complained of hunger. As a result, on the anniversary of his death in each year—the 5th day of the 5th Moon—dragon boats patrol the rivers and rice dumplings, wrapped in bamboo leaves, are thrown into the water to appease the spirit.

## Report On Germany's Future

Washington, June 5. Britain, the United States, France and the Benelux countries plan to publish on Monday a formal report on this week's London agreement for the future economic and political development of Germany.

Diplomatic officials here indicated today that the six nations would issue a statement of what they had agreed on rather than the formal text of their agreement.

The agreement is expected to be made simultaneously here and in the five other capitals.

The London Conference resulted in Western power agreement for forming a federalized Western German Government, joint control and distribution of Ruhr production, and other measures designed to provide full Western German cooperation in the European recovery programme on a self-supporting basis.—Reuter.

## Plans Gold Boost

London, June 5. Rumania is planning to increase her gold production by a programme of "planned exploitation," according to the bulletin of the Rumanian Legation issued today.

The bulletin said gold ore reserves in the Western Carpathians are estimated at 10,000,000 tons. Rumania is said to be third among the European gold producing countries, with her present output amounting to three per cent of total world production.

The announcement said the gold content of ore in the Western Carpathians is estimated at 60,000 kg of pure gold. Reserves in other parts of the country are estimated at 25,000 kg.—United Press.

## THEY HAD HEARTS OF FIRE

Two flags of the Britain that spans the world—the Union Jack and the White Ensign—lay rippling in a faint, spring breeze against the western wall of the West Cloister of Westminster Abbey.

Before them, stiff upon their poles, were borne the ancient banners that form part of the church's treasure: the white and gold banner of Edward the Confessor, the Abbey's founder, who ruled a tiny England 1,000 years ago.

Behind them, at once symbolic and realistic, gleamed three bronze figures—three new effigies in the church of statues, three new memorials in the memories.

One figure—a submariner in sweater and high sun-boots, his eyes upflung—bears the legend "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death."

The next—dedicated to the Commandos—carries an automatic rifle and the inscription "These performed whatsoever the King commanded."

The third—heavily laden with the equipment of the heroes who flung themselves from the skies like human bombs—commemorates the Airborne Forces and those cruelly valiant men who were known by the incongruously unassuming title of the Special Air Service, and bears the words "These were mighty men of valour."

For this unveiling of the memorial to the men of the Combined Services the narrow corridor of the cloister was crowded with the uniforms of State, the robes of Church. Trumpets spoke.

#### 'Fighting Face'

And Winston Churchill, in the square-cut frock-coat of his youth, became for a brief and happy hour once again the leader, once again the spokesman, of a Britain embattled.

His face—set in the grim-lines of the war days ("The old man has got his fighting face on," muttered one Airborne officer to another), Mr. Churchill came escorted by the tall, gaunt, tanned figure of the Dean of Westminster, his coat of gold picked out with blue.

The sun shone bright on medals clinking on civilian lapels and ribbons burning on khaki or blue.

It was pre-eminently a Service occasion. Young officers reinforced the vergers to usher ticket-holders to their places.

But the congregation held many civilians: too many of

### By GUY RAMSEY

whom had not only memory but grief in their hearts.

In the little square of green the sun shone brightly, but no flags waved even from the great tower of the House of Lords.

Only the stern periods of Mr. Churchill, deploying like the squadrons of an army, touched the scene with rhetoric of ear-ringing or eye was missing entirely.

#### Out Of The Past

For a Churchill speech it was almost formal; only the involuntary gesture of the born orator.



BRITAIN WILL REMEMBER THEM.

only the tensing of the muscles of the jaw showed how greatly Churchill was moved, how acutely Churchill remembered.

For he it was who had indirectly ordered the submarines to challenge the minefields of the Mediterranean, or the perils of the Western Approaches. He it was who had authorised the formation of the Commandos. He who had dispatched on their often fatal mission of liberation the cherry berets of the Airborne Forces.

The mighty voice kindled as he spoke: "With hearts of fire and nerves of tempered steel" these men did their duty. Not for them the comfort of the old cavalry charge, but the need for endlessly recurrent, precisely accurate, tasks of modern war to be undertaken in the hourly, daily, yearly peril of death.

#### The Promise

The service, with its familiar hymns—"All people that on earth do dwell" and "O God, our help in ages past"—drew to its close. The trumpets were still. The voice of the leader was silent.

Only the words of Laurence Binyon echoed through the vaulted cloister with their promise: "We will remember them."

A brief word to the Dean another to sculptor, Gilbert Ledward, and Mr. Churchill had gone.

And the congregation surged slowly in an unofficial procession. "We will remember them," past the memorial.

### BY ALEX RAYMOND



## Correspondence

### Makes Him Sick

Sir.—The people of Hong Kong makes me sick, sick to the extreme, and I do not mind telling you I am fed up with them. Most unfortunate I am one of them and as such I must wonder at times whether it would be advisable for my son to stick around here when he grows big. Of course, it is now too late for me to get out.

Give them an inch and by the same token they will give them a mile. They want a bed. Contentment is a germ spreading mental happiness. Now that they are lucky enough to survive the occupation and work under the British Government once again, they would imagine contentment is enjoyed all round. On the contrary, this beautiful gift has been abused again and again.

There are some people who think a mighty lot of themselves. They think they are heroes of the first rank because they had left the Colony for Free China or elsewhere they are now immune to attacks from different quarters. Yes, they think they are entitled to everything which the British Government are sympathetic to dole out from time to time. Each time this process is carried out, each time opportunism comes in.

For example, the Occupation Pay Announcement—Hong Kong Government Torpedo No. 2, involving an astronomical sum of solid money—dole out from every sense of the word. It certainly makes historical entries in British Colonial Administration. For this, there can be only admiration in the highest degree.

Still, there is rejoicing on the one hand and complaint on the other. Human nature certainly is peculiar at times. I for one had to stay and wait for the return of the British Government right from the start of the Japanese Occupation. To admit, I did swear at times against the British Government before the war came, and I did with the full dignity and prestige of a local Government Servant. What followed later were events which gave me a terrible impact awakening me to realize that I was then in Hell and Heaven was the proper terminology for the British Government Administration before the Japanese came. I cried with genuine tears for having ill-spoken my former boss. What else then could I do?

Feeling of utter depression and hopelessness pervaded my body and soul. The streets were full with Chinese characters with a winking of Japanese Katakana. I thought to myself, at least the Japanese should have sympathy on a little fellow like me and other little fellows who could only read English.

The guilt before Heaven and Hell spoke for itself very silently, so very silently, through the inner recesses of every heart with its connecting sinews. Hearts which belonged to all the people who were brought up and educated in the British way of life. The one who then some who left Hong Kong without any hint where they were going. It was all so mysterious at that time. The others stayed on and on living on what meagre rice and a few drops of oil dished out by the almighty Japanese masters.

If only the British Government were here again, oh God, if only they were here again! How sweet life would then be! By now, I leave the rest of it to you. Please think and think very hard.

But, I have not finished as yet and if you would allow me to continue, I shall continue.

There was neither patriotism among those who stayed behind nor among those who left the Colony. The inner feeling inclined more to terror for those who left and utter resignation to fate for those who stayed behind.

### Gold Smuggling

Sir.—The dramatic story of smugglers concealing gold inside their bodies should be the basis now for a reasonable and equitable government decision in regard to the importation of such precious metal.

It is almost an open secret that vested and powerful interests here and Macao have been for months taking in gold bars by thousands of taels daily without much molestation. Those who are familiar with the gold and silver markets know it well. How do they come in? Then there are the irritative seizures and confiscations of gold in Kowloon, Sheungshui or Shumchun by Chinese Maritime Customs. In case of flood, famine and drought these places would be no-man's land.

The ancient Chinese historian's dictum still applies: "He who steals a State becomes a Lord. He who steals a hook has his head chopped off."

Can the government promulgate a decree by which small importers, say within one or two hundred taels, shall be free by paying duties whereas big smugglers should have their goods confiscated?

#### INTERESTED.

### RICE PRICE SOARS

Shanghai, June 6. The price of rice per picul—about 35 kilograms—soared beyond £267,000,000 yesterday as it was declared to sell at a price of £267,000,000. The price of rice in the interior of China's staple food.

### Rent Charges

Sir.—As one who has lived a long time in the Colony, I do hope you may allow me a little of your valuable space in your widely read paper. On my way I feel about living conditions here since the war. Before the fighting I had a small cosy flat where my husband, a mercantile marine officer, and myself lived very happily. Rent was only fifty dollars a month with rates extra. When we returned here in 1946 our flat was taken by other people and although I tried everywhere to get a flat for a long time, the high key money asked was too much for our income. Then a good friend took pity on me and allowed me to live in one small room although she already had her parents and four small children with her there. Now they have been told to vacate the premises soon as the landlord's son is to come back from China.

The first time I approached offered to put me on what they called their waiting list and said a room at \$24 a day might be empty in three weeks' time. This being about 3/4 of my husband's pay is out of the question. Imagine my dilemma! A friend informed me that Government people were living in a similar room in that hotel for only \$10 a day. The Lord knows this seems to be profiteering when the same sort of room before the war cost only about \$4 a day. If they kept hotel rooms prices down like they do the flats this room would only be about \$8.50 now. How do the hotels get away with all this kind of thing. Everywhere I ask it is the same.

While Government has through the Price Controller really done a good job on food and other things, for which I and everyone I know is truly grateful, surely he could do something to make these hotel people toe the line. I always thought Government protected all its citizens and the privileged civil service officials but just plain members of the community like myself, but it seems I was sadly mistaken. I am so sorry to take up so much of your space but I do hope some public spirited persons much better able than I to write on this subject will take the powers that be to task as I have noticed often when sufficient fuss is made in the papers it is usually followed by action of a sort to correct whatever is wrong. D.M.

### Dorbitzer

Sir.—In a bridge article in the "China Mail" mention is made of a "dorbitzer" butting and making a common which was in turn criticized by a "dorbitzer". While the former word is familiar to bridge players and the definition of it is given in Webster's Dictionary as a mediator; one who gives gratuitous advice, especially at cards, this word "dorbitzer" does not show "dorbitzer". If you or any of your readers can elucidate as to its exact meaning, it will no doubt be interesting.

#### ENTHUSIAST.

There is no local authority on the definition of terms of the Authority on Authorities but the hand was played in a duplicate pairs tournament, and the context rather suggests that dorbitzer is the word coined to refer to a supervisor.—Ed.

## Reminders

### Today

Portuguese Catholic Association, meeting, Rectory of St. Margaret's Church, 8.30 p.m.  
Crown Land Auction, F.W.D. office, 3 p.m.  
Central British Association, extraordinary meeting, Jardine's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.  
Art Exhibition, Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridge's Street, 10 a.m.  
Whist Drive, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m.

### Coming Events

#### TOMORROW

H.K. Rotary Club Luncheon, talk on "Stamp Design and Mirror of History" by Mr. Chu Chen-sing, Roof Garden H.K. Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
Urban Council Meeting, G.P.O. Building, 4.15 p.m.  
Pony Auction, Paddock, Race Course, Happy Valley, 5.15 p.m.  
Union Church Management Committee Meeting, Jardine's Board Room, 8.30 p.m.  
Women's Guild Meeting, Kowloon Union Church, 10 a.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

Talk on "Teachers' Trade Unionism" by Ken Baker, Catholic Centre, 3 p.m.  
Christ Church Council Meeting, at Vicarage, 8.30 p.m.  
S.V.P.'s Conference Meeting at Catholic Centre, King's Building, 6 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

Y's Men's Club Luncheon, Roof Garden H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.  
King's Birthday Parade, Happy Valley, 9 a.m.  
Garden Party, celebration of King's Birthday, at Government House.

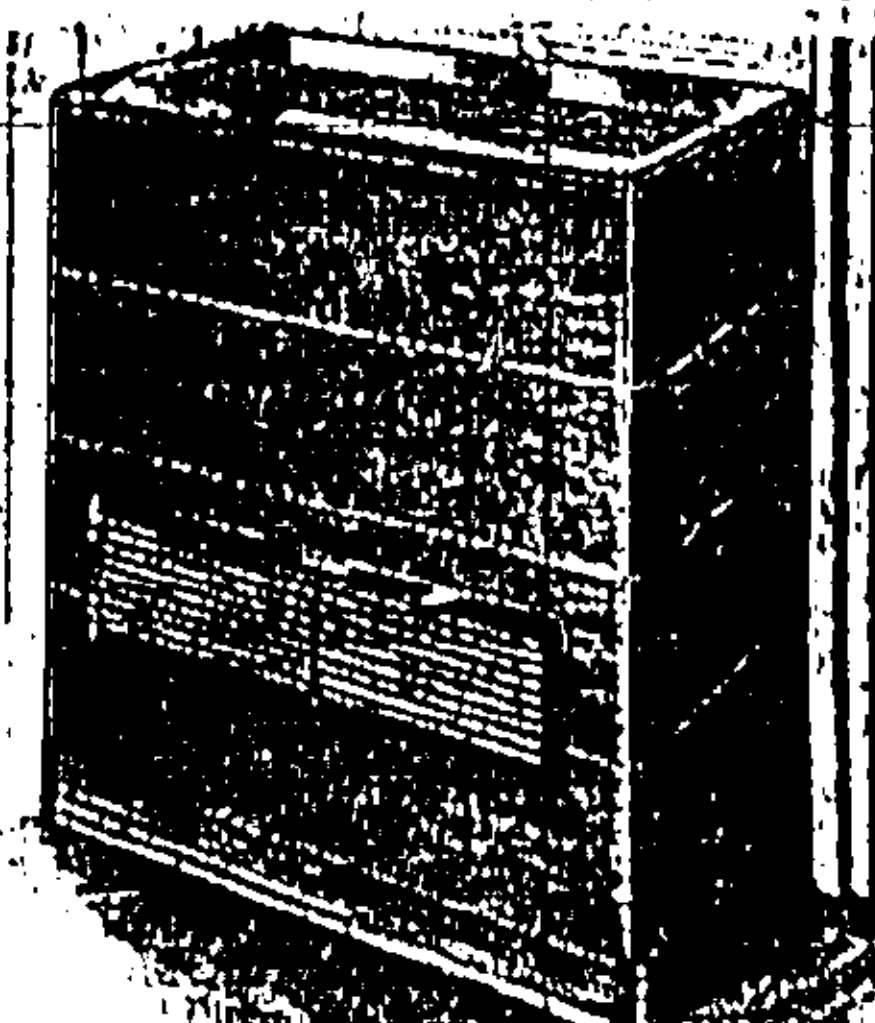
#### FRIDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club Luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
H.K. Teachers' Association, meeting, lecture "The Future of Education" by Ken Baker, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.15 p.m.  
Kai Tak Amateur Dramatic Society, presents "Outward Bound" at Station Theatre.

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counts for the year ended 31st  
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That the Company's Articles  
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Agents shall act as ad-  
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matters affecting the Com-  
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tween the Board and the  
Agents and the Agents  
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tersign such documents as  
may from time to time be  
agreed upon between the  
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within their authority  
under these Articles shall  
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required to transact any  
of the routine business of  
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(3) Articles 130 to 136 (in-  
clusive) shall be cancell-  
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(4) In Article 155 the words  
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Hong Kong, 7th June, 1948.

# FRENCH HAVE HIGH HOPES OF INDO-CHINESE PEACE AGREEMENT WITH VIETNAM

Paris, June 5.

France and Vietnam (Indochinese Republic) today  
signed an agreement under which France will  
recognise the independence of Vietnam within  
the French Union, the French Press Agency  
reported.

The agreement was signed on board the French  
cruiser Duguay-Trouin (7,249 tons) in the  
Bay of Along, off Indochina, by M. Emile  
Bollaert, French High Commissioner in Indo-  
china, ex-Emperor Bao Dai, and General  
Nguyen van Xuan, Premier of the Pro-  
visional Vietnam Government. Bao Dai was  
the former ruler of the Indochinese states of  
Tonkin and Annam.

M. Rôyer, diplomatic adviser  
to M. Bollaert, declared  
"France solemnly recognises the  
independence of Vietnam, whom  
it behoves to realise its unity.  
Vietnam proclaims its adhesion  
to the French Union as an as-  
sociated state."

"The independence of Vietnam  
has no other limits than those  
imposed by its belonging to the  
French Union."

"Agreements will be concluded  
later in the financial, economic,  
military, cultural and diplomatic  
fields."

The agreement was warmly  
welcomed in French Government  
circles as laying the foundation  
of peace in Indochina and provid-  
ing a solid basis for the progres-  
sive development of a united and  
independent Vietnam within the  
French Union.

## Ho Chi-Minh

The fact that ex-emperor Bao  
Dai has counter-signed the  
protocol was seen as a valuable  
promise for the success of  
General Xuan's coming efforts  
to consolidate the country  
around his Government.

Dr. Ho Chi-Minh, leader of the  
Communist-supported Vietnamese,  
who has been carrying on  
sporadic fighting with the  
French for 18 months, remains  
completely outside today's agree-  
ment.

French policy turned against  
Dr. Ho when his forces resumed  
hostilities on Dec. 19, 1946, after  
the initialing in Paris of an  
agreement, recognising a semi-  
autonomous Vietnam Govern-  
ment. French efforts were direct-  
ed towards leading the Viet-  
namese movement from all other  
Nationalist resistors and, after  
the arrival of M. Bollaert in In-  
dochina in April last year, lean-  
ed towards Bao Dai.

French forces undertook mili-  
tary operations in the north of

the country with varying success  
but were unable to destroy the  
Vietnamese army.

## Chances Good

At that time it was feared that  
the Indochinese Nationalists of  
Tonkin and Annam would be  
resolutely hostile to any govern-  
ment which did not include Dr.  
Ho Chi-Minh, and would oppose  
the new plan, refusing to re-  
cognise General Xuan. The  
French view is that the prestige  
of Dr. Ho Chi-Minh has now  
been largely dissipated.

French colonial officials in  
Paris said today that although  
the "war" properly speaking,  
came to an end some time ago,  
marginal bands were still mak-  
ing raids on villages and forcing  
local chiefs to sign declarations  
in favour of Ho Chi-Minh.

The vast majority of the  
Vietnamese wanted assured con-  
ditions of peace above every-  
thing else.

A great deal of consultation  
with all parties and interests  
preceded the constitution  
of General Xuan's Government and  
his chances of establishing a new  
regime are regarded in Paris as  
good.—Reuter.

## MORAL REARMAMENT ASSEMBLY

Hollywood, June 6.  
Four Orientals were among  
speakers from nearly 20 nations  
to deliver greetings of their na-  
tions last night to 1,000 persons  
at the 10th anniversary world  
Assembly of moral rearmament.

Speakers included U Ba Linn  
of Burma, wartime Ambassador  
to Siam, Dr. Chen Li-fu of  
China, Vice-President of the  
Legislative Yuan, Vishnu Dharma,  
Indian industrialist, and Dr.  
Konsuke Horinouchi, former  
Japanese Ambassador to the U.S.  
—Associated Press.

## He Worked For Dickens

Brentwood, June 5.  
Charles Dickens' gardener  
died today at the age of 90.  
He is George Chapman  
Woolley.

He worked for Dickens at  
the time of Dickens' death in  
1870.—United Press.

## Guerillas Inside Spain

London, June 5.

Radio Moscow today broad-  
cast a report that Generalis-  
simo Francisco Franco of  
Spain had been forced to  
throw artillery and tanks  
into battle against a growing  
guerrilla movement inside  
Spain.

The report said Franco was al-  
so training agents to work  
against exile Republicans abroad,  
especially in South America and  
Italy.

The radio broadcast a Tass do-  
cument from Prague, which quot-  
ed the leader of the Spanish re-  
sistance movement (Juan Blas-  
quez) as claiming that the guer-  
illas in Spain were operating un-  
der a single strategic plan with  
the active support of the  
peasants.

Senor Blasquez said, according  
to the radio, that the Govern-  
ment was training agents in  
special schools to counteract the  
work of the exiles and also for  
espionage work.—United Press.

## SWEDISH JET FIGHTER

Stockholm, June 6.  
Government today disclosed  
plans to test-flight the new  
Swedish jet-propelled fighter,  
J-29, and place it in mass  
production for the Swedish Air  
Force sometime this summer.

The designers who worked on  
the new plane for two and a half  
years claimed it is equal to any  
British or American fighter.  
The wings, made of a new  
Swedish alloy, are said to be  
exceedingly durable and there is  
a catapult seat to eject the pilot  
in case of an accident.—United  
Press.

Duluth, Minnesota, June 5.  
Fire swept through two retail  
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the manufacturing city of Duluth  
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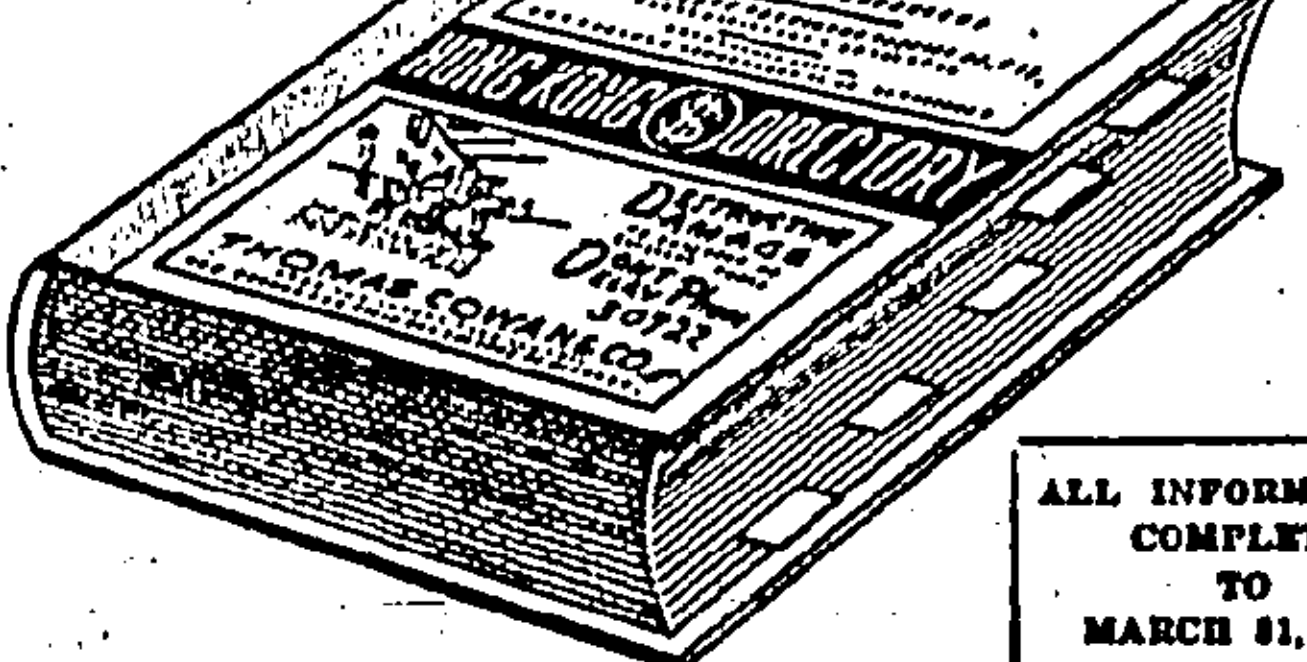
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# INTERNATIONAL SITUATION WORRYING FRENCH PEOPLE

## NO GUARANTEE ON GERMANY

Paris, June 5.  
Week-end political speeches reflected the uneasiness felt by the French people about the international situation and foreshadowed a possible close vote in the French Parliament in the coming week when the six-power recommendations on Germany come up for ratification.

Without definitely taking sides for or against the London Conference proposal, President Vincent Auriol of France stated significantly: "France has the duty to proclaim the dangers of any international policy which does not take into account her warnings and her experience."

This was generally interpreted as a warning to the United States, as leaving it an open question whether the National Assembly ought to ratify the London recommendations on Germany or not.

The majority of French deputies and the press take the view that the proposed conditions for a future German regime gave France and the Western Allies a whole new guarantee that Germany will not, in a few years, be again the predominant power and the arbitrator in European affairs.

This point was made frankly by General Charles de Gaulle's spokesman, M. Gaston Duval, in a speech at Perpignan tonight when he said: "The policy of the London Conference is dangerous for European security and endangers all chances of building a workable Europe."

**De Gaulle To Speak**  
"To accept the London proposals seems to us out of the question."

On Wednesday, General de Gaulle will make a statement denouncing the London proposals, his political headquarters announced today.

In Parliament, the Gaullist deputies, who number between 80 and 90, are also at present inclined to vote against ratification. Many of the moderates, like the former Premier, M. Paul

Reynaud, and the right wing Party of Republican Liberty, are in grave doubts about the wisdom of ratifying the London proposals.

**Deep-Rooted Belief**  
The Communists, numbering over 100 out of 617 deputies, will certainly vote against ratification.

With right wing and Moderate deputies divided and the Gaullists and Communists opposed to ratification, this makes it speculative whether the Government will obtain a majority on the ratification issue.

There are deep-rooted French beliefs that London and Washington will reveal what is regarded in France as their mistaken attitude after the first World War.

This feeling was expressed by M. Palewski tonight when he said: "The United States has chosen the policy of General Clay instead of the policy of the American Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall. They have preferred Germany to France."

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## Arab-Jewish Cooperation

Washington, June 5.  
Dr. Judah Leon Magnes, Rector of the Hebrew University, in Jerusalem, has registered as a foreign agent in the United States, to promote Arab-Jewish cooperation in Palestine, the Department of Justice said here.

Dr. Magnes told the Department he was living in New York City as an agent of the Ithud Association, which aims at setting up a bi-national Arab-Jewish State in Palestine.—Reuter.

## Nurse's Brutality

Hamburg, June 6.  
Martha Hanke, a nurse, was sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment and another nurse, Elizabeth Krozak, to four years' imprisonment for the maltreatment of women prisoners at the Ravensbrueck concentration camp.

It was the fourth trial by a war crimes court of Germans from Ravensbrueck.

Dr. Walter Sonntag and Dr. Bruno Grandt (sentenced to death for maltreatment) were also found guilty of selection of prisoners for the gas chamber.

Nurse Ganzler, in addition, was found guilty of killing prisoners with lethal injections. She was found not guilty of killing the newly-born child of a prisoner.—Reuter.

## IMMIGRATION SNAG IN PALESTINE DISPUTE

Lake Success, June 5.  
An Israeli spokesman said today that any effort to limit Jewish immigration would be a serious blow to the proposed Palestine cease fire.

The new Israeli statement stressed once more the delicate nature of the cease fire negotiations and indicated the immigration issue might wreck the entire project.

Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations mediator, informed the Security Council on Friday night that the immigration question alone was obstructing agreement on a truce date.

Count Bernadotte asked the Council for guidance in interpreting the cease fire resolution of May 29.

The Israeli spokesman was surprised that Count Bernadotte has asked for interpretation of the immigration clauses.

"The language and the intent of the resolution are clear," the statement said. "The original British proposal for a ban on immigration of men of military age

was rejected by the Security Council and the resolution as adopted expressly permits men of military age to enter Israel freely, provided they are not mobilized or trained during the four weeks' period of their armistice."

**Crucial Issue**  
"Israel has accepted this. If the Arabs do not accept it they are rejecting the resolution and must bear all the consequences."

This is a crucial issue. It was disclosed meanwhile that El Khoury conferred with top UN officials on communications delays between here and Bernadotte's Cairo headquarters.

El Khoury was understood to have been somewhat annoyed when he learned that the mediator still had received no official word on Friday night on a Council decision taken Thursday afternoon.—Associated Press.

**BARCLAY ON BRIDGE**  
By Shepard Barclay  
"The Authority on Authority"

ONE SUIT IS CRUCIAL  
On hand after hand you sometimes find that the fate of the contract depends on how the declarer decides to play some particular suit. Employing one method, he scores a certain number of tricks in it. Using another, he gets a different number, losing either one more or one less.

That's why it pays to be familiar with the chances in favour of this and that way of playing a particular combination of cards, especially in trump suits. Presence of intermediate cards, like aces and tens, can often be the deciding factor.

**S. J. H. A 10 9 5 4 D. J 10 9 3 C. 7 6**  
**S. Q 10 9 8 H. K Q 8 7 D. 6 5 C. 4 3 2**  
**H. K Q 8 7 D. 6 5 C. 4 3 2**  
**D. K Q 8 7 H. J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 A. 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2**  
**C. A K Q 8 7 6 5 4 3 2**  
**S. K 7 5 3 H. 3 2 D. A 7 5 C. 10 9 3 2**  
(Dealer: West. East-West vulnerable.)  
**West North East South**  
**1 D 1 H 1 S Pass**  
With that four-card trump holding and desiring to avoid shortening it by ruffs, the South players at two tables of a duplicate led their long-side-suit clubs. The 2, of course won in the dummy. One declarer carried the ball from there to make his contract, and the other managed to get himself set.

The unsuccessful declarer led the diamond K to the A on the second trick, won the returned club, scored the diamond Q, ruffed the diamond 4 with the spade 2, then worked on spades by leading the 4 and putting in the 10. After the J was that, East had no way to avoid dropping tricks to the spade K and heart A, so was down one.

Where the contract was made, East went after trumps immediately after winning the first club trick in dummy. He led the spade Q, intending to come up with the A if the K were caught and let it run if something else was played. When the J went on, his contract was assured.—His play had been based on nothing more than possession of those vitally valuable intermediaries, the 10, 9 and 8. The initial play of the A would have paid too.

Study that combination of spades a bit, and figure out what you would consider the best and worst ways to play it, and why.

Tomorrow's Problem  
**S. K Q 8 7 5 3 2 H. 6 D. 10 C. J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2**  
**S. A 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 H. K Q 8 7 D. A J 9 8 5 C. K 10 6 3**  
**S. None H. A J 8 5 D. K 7 6 3 C. A Q 7 4 2**  
(Dealer: South. North-South vulnerable.)  
After West leads the ace of the spades which dummy had bid, how should South play for 5-Clubs, doubled by West?

## TRUMAN MAKES A PROMISE

Omaha, Nebraska, June 5.  
President Truman tonight blamed the "short-sighted" American "Senators" for the failure of the League of Nations, and promised that the United States would make the United Nations succeed.

"After the first world war, the chief hope for keeping the peace was the League of Nations," he said, "but short-sighted men in the United States Senate blocked our entry into the League and it has never recovered from that blow."

"This time, the United States took a leading part in organizing the United Nations. In spite of the difficulties it has run into, the United Nations is working. And we are determined to make it succeed."

The President said that he hoped Congress would extend the reciprocal trade agreements act—for mutual tariff concessions for three years.

The Administration are pinning their hopes on the Senate, since the House of Representatives extended the act for only one year and imposed restrictions described as the first step back to the traditional Republican high tariff policy.—Reuter.

## CONTROLS STAY

Washington, June 6.  
The Senate approved a measure maintaining import and export controls on tins, fats and oils until June 30, 1949.

This completes Congressional action on the measure now goes to President Harry Truman for his signature.—Associated Press.

## RADIO

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1.25 p.m.—Interlude.  
1.30 p.m.—George Melachrino and His Orchestra (BBCFS).  
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6.01 p.m.—"Fanfare"  
(Gerald and His Dance Orchestra (GHS)).

6.30 p.m.—Hospital Request Half Hour presented by Nan Dickinson (Studio).  
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7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Half Hour (Studio).

8.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).  
8.15 p.m.—Viv Carlton presents "High Lights on Film" (Studio).  
8.30 p.m.—"I Like What I Like" Presented by Aileen Dicker (Studio).  
9.00 p.m.—Accent on Rhythm (BBCFS).  
9.10 p.m.—Orchestra: Holborn Suite, London String Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—A Play—"Drama" (BBCFS).  
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).  
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.  
10.16 p.m.—"Take-Your-Choice".  
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).  
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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# GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE RAMC

"Its contribution to victory has been beyond all calculation," Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery has said of the Royal Army Medical Corps, which celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of its formation on 23rd June.

Her Majesty the Queen, the Colonel-in-Chief, has graciously expressed the desire to be among her Corps on this Golden Jubilee day, and she will attend a short service conducted by the Chaplain-General to the Forces at the Depot and Training Establishment at Aldershot, which will be followed by a parade and a review.

Her visit will be the highlight of a week of celebrations at home, which include the revival of the traditional cricket match with the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, and a final rally on Saturday, 20th, June in Westminster's Central Hall, where 2,000 past and present members of the Corps will gather to revive old memories and hear speeches by General Steele, the Adjutant-General, General Slim, the former 14th Army Commander and the third and latest march of the R.A.M.C., based on the "Health into His Majesty" music, which was recently approved by Queen Elizabeth.

Elsewhere the celebrations will vary according to local conditions. "At Home" concerts, parades, dances and other functions have been organised by RAMC Association branches in Britain and by medical units all over the world.

**Aesculapius' Rod**  
But wherever they are held, whatever form they take, they will not be limited to the uniformed men who wear the Rod of Aesculapius with its twisted snakes as a cap-badge. The very many thousands who passed, sick or wounded, through the Army's medical units in two World Wars, will be glad of the opportunity to pay tribute to those who looked after them so devotedly in the deserts of Africa, the jungles of Asia, the prison camps of Germany and Japan, and in every theatre of war. An idea of their number can be gained from the casualty figures of the two conflicts: the Corps dealt with nine million sick and wounded in World War One and five millions in the 39-45 War. In the last full year of the war, one in every five soldiers in U.K. was admitted to hospital on account of illness.

Today, we are rather apt to take for granted the whole complex machinery of the Medical Services, on whose efficacy the manpower of the Army depends with their long chain of units from the Regimental Aid Post down the "pipeline" to the General Hospital and Convalescent Depot; their mobile teams, aircraft, hospital ships; their blood transfusion services, penicillin, sulpha drugs and DDT; their neurosurgeons, psychiatrists, pathologists, dentists and maxillo-facial surgeons. Possibly few realize the revolutionary strides that have been made in caring for the health of the soldier since this indispensable technical branch was formed fifty years ago, or the obstacles that had to be surmounted before the Medical Services were granted the necessary status and power to alleviate the sufferings of war.

**At Agincourt**  
Prior to 1690, when Charles II introduced our first standing army, medical aid was provided mainly for senior officers; wounded soldiers were left to be cared for by the population, or killed by their comrades to avoid torture. At Agincourt, physicians ranked after shoemakers and tailors, and at the beginning of Elizabeth's reign, they earned a shilling a day and were recruited from the Company of Barber-Surgeons of London.

The formation of the standing army led to the introduction of regular regimental medical officers with permanent commissions, which they had to buy (often purchasing combatant commissions as well, to increase their pay), and a limited system of regimental hospitals in Britain, but medical aid with expeditionary forces remained rudimentary. Recognized treatment of gunshot wounds was cauterization with boiling oil of elders mixed with braille; boiling pitch was used to stop bleeding after amputations; "curry" bark and port was the remedy for typhus, and even as late as the Peninsular War, casualties were left on the battlefield.

Conditions began to improve when Sir James McGrigor, one of the outstanding figures in Army medical history, became the first medical inspector of Hospitals. He introduced some reforms in the field: commissary transport was requisitioned to transport the wounded; hospitals were established; medical boards instituted; enemy POW doctors employed to supplement the regular staffs. Wellington was so impressed that medical officers were mentioned in despatches in 1812 for the first time.

**Early Failure**  
Though McGrigor became Director-General of the Medical Services at the conclusion of the Napoleonic Wars, his post he held continuously for 33 years, and despite all his efforts, there was still no Medical Corps when the Crimean War broke out in 1854. A start was made with the Hospital Convoyance Corps, which had only three

officers, and none of them medical. It proved an utter failure, and was incorporated with the Land Transport Corps (a precursor of the RASC), but this proved just as unsuccessful. In June 1855, a long-cherished desire by leading medical officers of the Army was gratified by the creation of the Medical Staff Corps, but this was mainly for hospital service. Members had no military titles or badges of rank, and were recruited from unit or discharged NCO's and men of the former Land Transport Corps (provided they could read and write). The Army Hospital Corps was created from its ashes in 1857—still with no officers of its own—and its title reverted once more to the Medical Staff Corps before the War Office finally made up their minds to sanction the formation of an autonomous organization, with ordinary Army ranks and titles throughout, which united medical officers and men.

The Medicals had ceased to be a poor relation. But in those early days, it was still not a popular Corps. Understandably enough, since hospitals were like giant prisons, discipline was most strict, and troops admitted for treatment had to surrender their weapons out of their disinclination to the privilege. Doctors and surgeons had long enjoyed a poor standing, and when the Marquis of Lansdowne announced in Parliament that Queen Victoria had been pleased to approve the formation of the Corps, the nature of the Service in its relation to the rest of the Army was such that he had to add that it was his determination that there should be no future stigma in theory or in practice to treat medical officers with the respect to which they were entitled. He stressed that the Corps, the nature of the Service in its relation to the rest of the Army was such that he had to add that it was his determination that there should be no future stigma in theory or in practice to treat medical officers with the respect to which they were entitled.

**Boer War**  
The new Corps adopted as its motto "IN ARDUIS FIDELIS", and dull-cherry facings appeared on the uniform of all ranks. The same colour splashing carried for piping on tunics and trousers. The men wore pill-box caps, and the first regimental march was based on Sousa's "Washington Post".

The R.A.M.C. made its first appearance in the field in the Khoudou Expedition of 1899, but its first real test came in the South African field a year later. A serious typhoid epidemic broke out, and one in every 4 of a strength of nearly 250,000 was admitted to hospital with the fever. 8,000 died of it, and 31,000 had to be invalided home. Another 8,000 were killed in action and 23,000 wounded. The infant Corps had not yet had time to settle down; facilities for surgical operations in the field were still rudimentary, but it acquitted itself honourably, and six of its officers were awarded the V.C. It was much later, prepared for the sterner call which came a dozen years later. There had been extensive training in all branches of duties in hospital and field. At the Royal Army Medical College, transferred to London early in the century, the best surgical, medical, hygiene and pathological instruction was provided. Progress in research, the development of inoculation, and the influence of new sanitary measures undertaken by Field Hygiene Sections had most important results in preventing disease. Though dysentery laid thousands in the line, diphtheria, typhoid, typhus and trench fever were mastered, as was wound gangrene, and on the Western Front alone, 1,000,000 wounded were treated and returned to the firing line. The Corps reached its all-time peak strength of 133,000 by the end of the war, many of the original BEF which went to

France in 1914—and lost 743 officers and 6,130 other ranks. Some 7,000 decorations were earned, among which were 8 Victoria Crosses, 521 DSO's and 414 DCM's.

**New Methods**  
Under General Sir Alfred Keogh, the standard of medical relief has been raised to a high level. But World War Two presented an even greater challenge owing to the speed of mechanized warfare and the diversity of problems in the different theatres

of war. It was met by improved surgical methods, advances in anaesthesia, the introduction of blood transfusion, sulpha drugs and penicillin—and a fundamental change in the organization of field units.

Wheels were given to many static units: the old-time M.D.S. was split into lighter and more mobile sections; Field Dressing Stations were introduced into the divisional areas to deal with the minor sick, and small specialised mobile teams were formed. These measures ensured that the best possible treatment was available as early as possible; manpower was economized through the minor sick being dealt with near the battlefield, and much strain was taken off the CCS and base units. Similarly, a new grade of non-medical officer relieved the professional staff of much administrative and non-medical duties. Soon, ambulance aircraft under medical control speeded up the evacuation of serious battle casualties; parachute field ambulances, surgical teams dropped out of the sky, complete with operating tables, lamps and instruments; LST's were fitted with operating facilities; stretchers were put on jeeps; light ambulance airborne trailers were devised.

**Burma Campaign**  
Spectacular advances were also made in the treatment of sickness. In the monsoon areas of northern Burma, the troops had to face dysentery, scrub-typhus, dengue, jungle sores, and the malaria-carrying mosquito, but the RAMC won the day after two years of jungle war. "The work of the Corps," has said Viscount Mountbatten, "was a powerful factor in the attainment of final victory. The ratio of sick to total strength was reduced from 420 to 1, to 6 to 1." The Japanese medical service, on the other hand, fought a losing battle against sickness.

Psychiatrists, too, were brought in not only to deal with nervous disorders among battle casualties through forward units, neuro-pathic hospitals, base centres and convalescent depots, and to assist in the rehabilitation of the limbers. They also played their part in the selection of personnel, making a valuable contribution to the more economic use of manpower by sorting out those liable to breakdown. They then passed into a variety of other fields, advising at Battle Schools (where they were instrumental in cutting out the "hate" training), on the improvement of morale in base depots and areas, in Welfare committees and in the making of training films.

Nor should the dentists be forgotten. A separate Corps under the Director-General of the A.M.S., serving both Army and RAF since 1921, they well deserved the honour of adding the prefix "Royal" last year. Perhaps their greatest triumphs have been in the field of facio-maxillary

surgery: thanks to their skill and devotion, many thousands who would once have been life-long objects of pity and disgust are now living normal and happy lives.

**Inter-Service Cooperation**  
And what of the personnel—the 12,000 officers, 10,000 nurses and 83,000 other ranks? Called suddenly from their wards, laboratories and private practices, surgeons, physicians, technicians and the vast majority from all walks of life who were untrained, were moulded into vitally important units, and exposed to the same hazards and discomforts as the combatant troops. In the Western Desert, Italy, at Arran, the Rhine, Malaya and Burma, with the Chindits, Commandos and the assault troops everywhere, they maintained the highest traditions of service, and 2,462 laid down their lives. Often, as in prison camps, they were without the most elementary facilities, and they performed incredible feats of surgery with old safety razor blades, bent-up table spoons and odd bits of thread.

The knowledge and experience gained during the late war have not been allowed to run to waste. A Standardisation Conference held early in 1947 was followed last year by a Committee which reviewed the whole of the field medical organisation and made far-reaching recommendations. Selected officers of all ranks in all theatres and covering all formations have also been consulted by questionnaires. These activities have resulted in the

standardisation of a number of units (the field ambulance is a notable example); the introduction of new teams; the attachment of RAMC other rank personnel to armoured and infantry units, and proposals for increased field and administrative training facilities; and the improvement in the professional standards of nursing orders. It has also been suggested that financial provision should be made to enable selected officers to obtain the higher qualifications such as FRCS, MRCS, DPM, etc., at public expense, provided they continue to remain in the Service for at least 5 years after qualification. It is believed that this would benefit the Army as a whole and popularize the Corps by putting additional emphasis on the purely professional aspect.

A widespread revision of WE scales has been accomplished, and Territorial Army units are already being staffed and equipped on these new scales.

Now that the Medical Services have tidied up the loose ends of their war organisation and drafted the blueprints for the future, their biggest problem is the shortage of specialists. There is no immediate remedy for this, as it is only part of a general shortage of qualified doctors throughout Britain. A suggestion that the medical services of the Navy, Army and Air Force should be unified to economise personnel, made in Parliament and in the medical journals, has been turned down, but a much greater degree of administrative co-ordination between the three Services is likely to take place in the near future.

## "PRAVDA" CRYING OUT FOR VENGEANCE

London, June 6.  
Pravda says the Soviet people have "the right to expect severe punishment for the major Japanese war criminals." They are "responsible for all the blood of the innocent that was shed and for the millions of victims of the Japanese militarists' aggression," Pravda said.

The article in the Communist Party newspaper was written by commentators Raginsky and Rosenblit. It was broadcast by Moscow Radio.

Pravda was critical of the conduct of the International Military Tribunal in Tokyo. "It would be incorrect to consider that the 25 defendants now on trial exhaust the number of the chief Japanese war criminals," the article said. "It is quite obvious that many of the chief war criminals were hidden from trial and are at large instead of being in the dock."

**Wall Street**  
Pravda blamed American financial interests. It said, "Wall Street representatives could not permit that deserved punishment should be borne by those who are spiritually akin to them and whom they need for converting vanquished Japan into a base bridgehead of aggression against the Democratic countries."

"Unfortunately the influence of Wall Street has not been limited to the fact that not all the chief Japanese war criminals are facing trial," Pravda said. "It has left its imprint on the entire course of the trial. It suffices to say that senior officers of the American Army who assumed the role of advocates have neglected the professional honour and elementary rules of decency, striving by all means, against any logic, to protect the worst enemies of progressive mankind, who were taken red-handed and exposed."

"The peoples of the world expect, and have the right to expect, that the tribunal's verdict will prove to be a powerful weapon in the struggle of progressive mankind against aggression, Fascism and reaction." Associated Press.

## BLOW AT EMPIRE UNITY

Johannesburg, June 5.  
Mr. John Christie, leader of the South African Labour Party, which was allied with the defeated United Party of Marshal Smuts in the election today, said that Dr. Daniel Malan's first policy step, as new Premier, was to weaken Commonwealth relationships.

"The suggestion that in future members of the Commonwealth should have separate discussions instead of joint inclusive conferences (made in Dr. Malan's broadcast yesterday) strikes a first blow at Commonwealth unity," he said.

"It is strangely contradictory of his assurance that it is the intention of the National Government to continue friendly relations between South Africa, the United Kingdom and other members of the Commonwealth."

Political sources in Capetown said today that South Africa will probably be represented at the London Commonwealth conference next month.

They added, however, that neither Dr. Malan nor any of his ministers would be likely to attend as the South African Parliament will probably be in session. Overseas diplomatic representatives are expected to attend for the Union.—Reuter.

## WORLD'S LARGEST TELESCOPE

Palomar Mt., Calif., June 6.  
The largest telescope on earth was dedicated here today "to the well-being of mankind."

In ceremonies attended by heads of some of the world's greatest scientific institutions, the 200-inch-starscraper was christened the Hale Telescope. It honours Dr. George Ellery Hale, "father" of the giant instrument, who died ten years ago.

The Hale telescope, with a range of 1,000,000,000 light years (the distance light will travel in a billion years at a speed of 186,000 miles a second) will probe into the secrets of the universe. Dr. Max Mason, Chairman of the Observatory Council, has said it may even solve the mystery of life itself. "It is a boldness that completion of the new telescope has placed the war world on the threshold of a Press."

tremendous increase in knowledge was voiced by Raymond B. Fossick, President of the Rockefeller Foundation which provided the \$540,000,000 the project has cost to date. Citing the "unpredictable consequences of knowledge," Fossick recalled that "when the giant cyclotron was built at the University of California, nobody was thinking of the atomic bomb." The cyclotron was conceived as an adventure in pure research. "And yet that cyclotron contributed materially to the development of one of the phases in the construction of the atomic bomb, just as this telescope may conceivably give us knowledge of life itself. It is a boldness that completion of the new telescope has placed the war world on the threshold of a Press."

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## "PROJECTS" IN EDUCATION

In their efforts to meet post-war problems not encountered previously, more United Kingdom schools are adopting new educational techniques. In a recent Ministry of Education pamphlet, "The New Secondary Education," a writer emphasises that a modern school which is unhampered by the academic tradition of the Grammar School "should be free to work out its own syllabuses and methods," with the aim of providing "a good all round education, not focussed primarily upon the traditional subjects of the curriculum, but developing out of the interests of the children."

One important result of this emphasis has been the growing popularity of the "project" method in Britain's schools. The "Project," from being educational theory, has become rapidly almost common educational practice in Britain's schools. The "Project" method can be defined as a co-operative school activity centering around some particular topic. Experience shows that, working with children in this way, it is not long before they become involved and acquire that sense of individual responsibility which can contribute to the success of the scheme.

Generally, a valuable asset in training for responsible, future citizenship.

Although initially a topic taken as a basic point for a school or class "Project" may have a historical bias, it is remarkable how simply the other subjects of the curriculum are fitted into the pattern. The child with a natural bent and liking for any particular subject, feels the work he is doing is important as part of the whole structure and, as a result of this feeling, he becomes much more interested in the other aspects of the "Projects" than he would have been if these had been taught to him as separate subjects.

**3,000 ESCAPE FROM REDS**  
Prague, June 6.  
The Czechoslovak Ministry of the Interior announced today that 3,000 people had escaped from Czechoslovakia since the February crisis which brought about the Communist accession to power. These were the first official figures on illegal immigration which had been going on since then. Confirmed cases totalled 1,280.

The number arrested in attempting to flee was 1,017. The statement said many had returned "cursing their experiences. They had lived in Germany in indescribable misery."

Confirmed cases of persons who had returned totalled 52, but "there were probably many more," the statement said.—Reuter.

## MOSCOW VIEW

London, June 6.  
Moscow Radio in a propaganda broadcast today quoted its radio commentator, Yermashev as saying that the refusal of bilateral negotiations with Russia showed the United States wanted to continue the cold war.

Yermashev said: "The matter is not just a propaganda defeat but a moral and political defeat. In practice this lack of desire on the part of the United States to conduct bilateral negotiations means that they prefer to carry on with their notorious cold war against the U.S.S.R.—United Press."

Though McGrigor became Director-General of the Medical Services at the conclusion of the Napoleonic Wars, his post he held continuously for 33 years, and despite all his efforts, there was still no Medical Corps when the Crimean War broke out in 1854. A start was made with the Hospital Convoyance Corps, which had only three

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



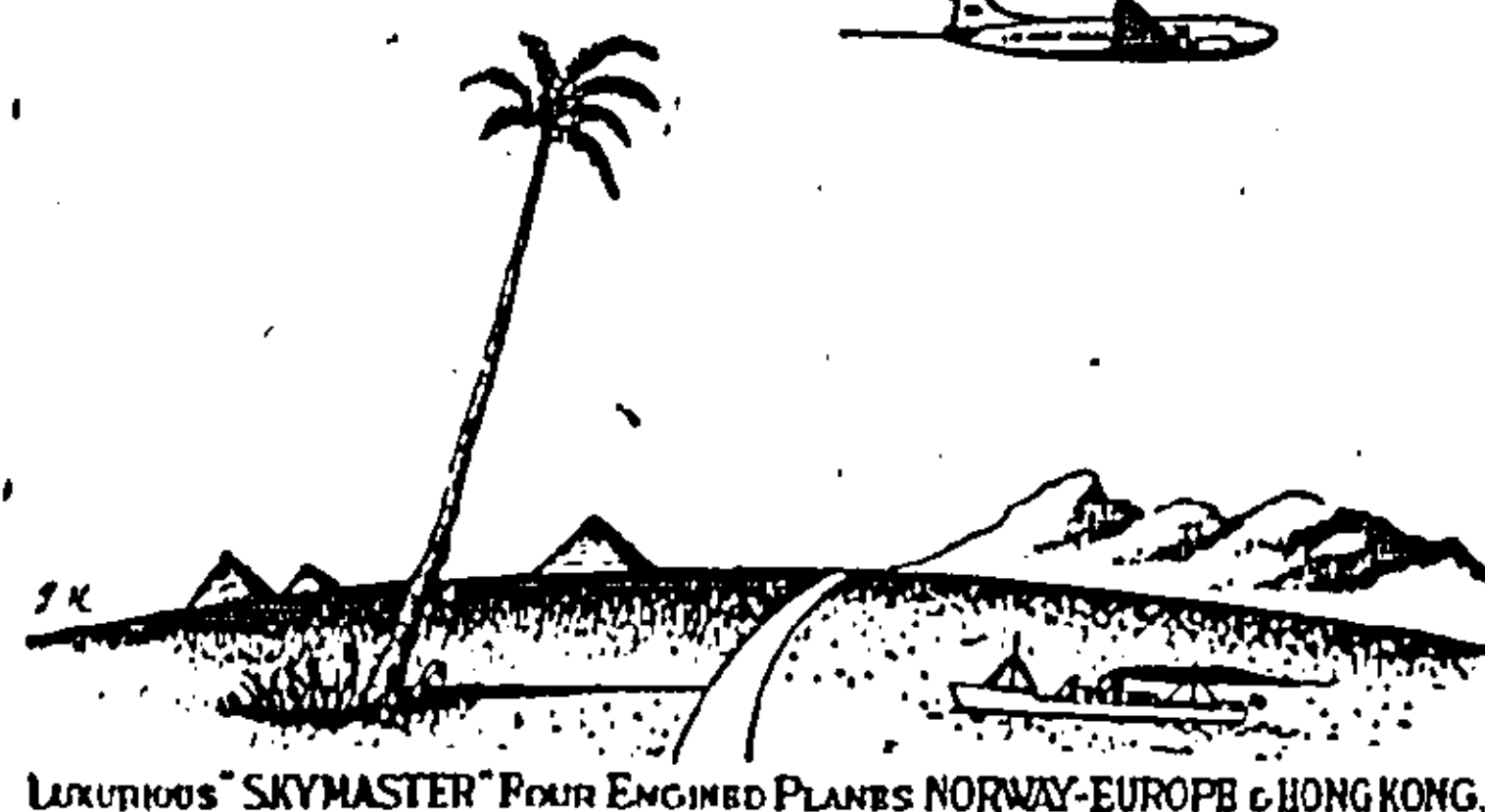
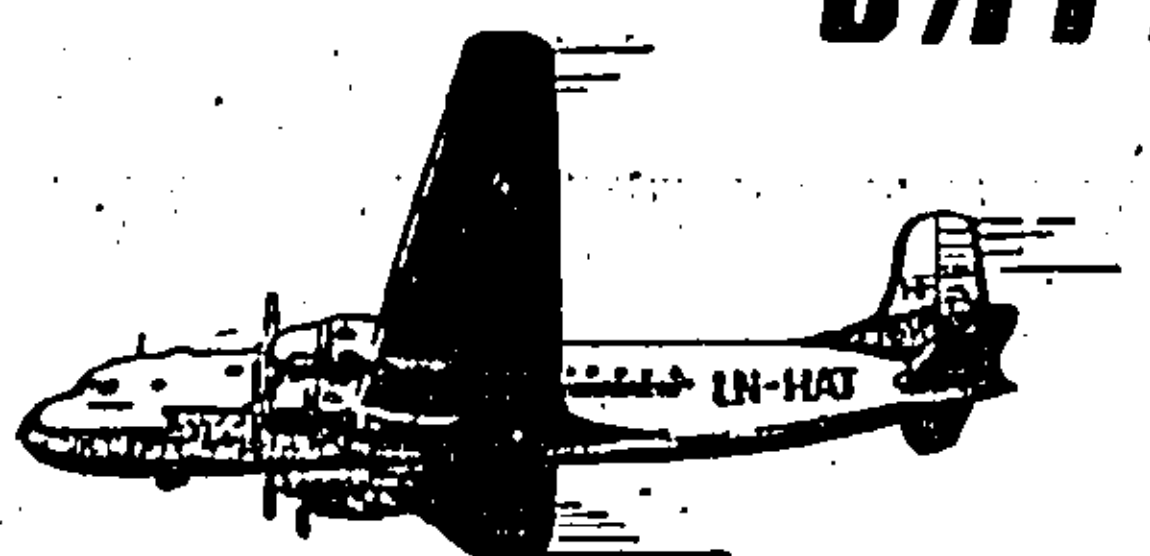
"Well, how do you like that! The end of the news broadcast—and not one word said about me getting 'A' in history!"



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# PEACE CAMPAIGN EFFECT ON WASHINGTON OPINION

## Vandenberg Takes Command

Washington, June 5. Senator Arthur Vandenberg (Republican of Michigan) asked the Senate Appropriations Committee today for permission to testify personally in the fight to restore the \$1,000,000,000 reduction in foreign aid, made by the House of Representatives yesterday.

Senator Vandenberg led a protracted fight in the Senate for the Enabling Act under which Congress authorized a much larger recovery programme than the one voted by the House.

This unusual course in seeking permission to testify before the Committee indicated that Senator Vandenberg, who is Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, would take personal command of the efforts in the Senate to restore the funds struck from the European aid money bill by the House.

Senator Vandenberg did not elaborate on his statement, but he was described by friends as "fighting mad" over the blow dealt to the foreign aid programme, which was piloted through Congress largely by his efforts.—Reuter.

## COMMUNIST PRESS HAS FIELD DAY

London, June 5. Western Europe's Communist Press made the most today out of the U.S. House of Representatives votes to slash European Recovery funds.

Rome's Communist Unita asked in a headline "who can trust Washington?" And the pro-Communist Socialist Avanti asserted "ERP has become the game of international politics."

The London Daily Worker said the House vote brought "near panic" on Wall Street.

In Vienna, the Russian Army paper Oesterreichische Zeitung headlined "European aid cut 25 percent—but the budget for reconstruction ten times greater than 1941."

The Communist Volksstimme called Friday "a black day for the Marshall satellites."—Associated Press.

## LOOKING TO ITALY

Rome, June 6. Ghulam Mohammed, Pakistan Minister of Finance, said today that Pakistan viewed Italy "as one of those countries to which we willingly turn for help in our organizational work," according to the liberal newspaper, "Risorgimento."

The Minister arrived recently in Rome to meet the Pope and government leaders. He said that a Pakistan commercial mission is expected to leave for Italy "in the near future."—United Press.

## PROPAGANDA AND AID FUND CUTS

Washington, June 5.

State Department circles asserted today that cuts in the Marshall plan were caused by the effects of the Soviet "peace propaganda" campaign. The cuts, ordered by the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, result, these sources said, from the relaxation of international tension in recent months.

This, they argued, has been caused by the recent Soviet statements, reiterating Russia's desire for peace.

High State Department officials have spent the past 26 hours in the lobbies of Congress trying to correct what they describe as this "over-confidence" and trying to correct the situation it has produced.

It appears certain that some cuts will remain in the European recovery measure. If, in the face of House opposition, the Senate should vote to retain the whole sum, there will almost inevitably be a compromise reduction in the aid total.

Repercussions resulting from any major cut would be many. One of the principal would be its effect on America's foreign policy since the Marshall plan forms the basis of that policy as a whole.

Mr. Marshall has already stated that the effect of the proposed reductions would be to turn the plan from one of recovery to merely one of relief.

## Truman May Intervene

On Capitol Hill, many legislators were moving around in the shade of the deepest depression seen here since the "war scare" of early spring.

If things became even more serious, it was considered inevitable that President Truman, though away on a presidential election campaign tour, would personally step in with a frank warning of the issues involved.

Domestic politics are playing their part. Congressmen are pressed for time.

The Senate will only have about one week to debate the cuts and draft compromise measures before Congress breaks up for the Presidential nomination conventions at Philadelphia on June 21.—Reuter.

## Solid Front

Senator Vandenberg, who piloted the European Recovery Programme through the Senate, told reporters he is asking for "the earliest possible opportunity" to appear personally before the Senate Appropriations Committee.

That group now has before it a wrap-up foreign aid bill carrying \$55,980,000,000 for American assistance to non-Communist nations abroad.

The amount available for a 15 months period instead of the \$56,533,000,000 asked by the Administration—as a minimum outlay for 12 months.

Although it may be several days before the Senate committee gets down to item by item work on the bill, there were clear indications that several Republicans are likely to join an almost solid front of democrats to restore the chopped off funds.

## AMERICA ACCUSED OF SPYING

Prague, June 6.

The Czechoslovak Ministry of the Interior tonight directly charged the United States with conducting espionage in Czechoslovakia.

The charge was the climax to frequent recent references to a "certain foreign power" with which Czech and Slovak political groups were alleged to have been in contact.

The Ministry's announcement tonight said that Felix Uhl, former prominent member of the People's Party, would be tried on a charge of accepting money and documents from a foreign power for the purpose of espionage against the Republic.

The statement inserted in brackets after the words "a foreign power" the letters "CIC" meaning the American Counter-Intelligence Corps.

The statement also disclosed that more than 50 Czechoslovak civilians and members of the Security Police will be tried shortly by a Prague People's Court on charges of being associated with an "espionage office."

The "office" is alleged to have been operated by Dr. Vladimir Kralina, former Secretary-General of the Czech Socialist Party, who escaped to London in April.

The statement said that three other members of the Security Police would be tried by a military court on a charge of high treason. They are alleged to have disclosed the "action" plan for the Prague Garrison.—Reuter.

## FLOOD CONTROL IN EAST

Ootacamund, June 6.

The United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East today appointed a committee to examine flood control measures in Asian countries.

India and Burma both urged the question was urgent. Haji Mohamed Eusoff, of Malaya, suggested the problem should be dealt with on a national basis as conditions varied from country to country.

Malaya, for instance, did not have the Yangtze, the Irrawaddy or the Ganges.

M. Novikov, for the Soviet Union, wanted all foreign control removed from irrigation or hydro-electric projects. As such control led to economic control by foreigners, such projects should be financed and controlled by Asian nationals, he said.

The Commission referred to the committee on industrial development a proposal to survey flood transport problems after approving the survey in general.—Reuter.

## Tawenkow Evacuated

Shanghai, June 6. Government troops have evacuated Tawenkow, strategic Tientsin-Pukow railway city in southwest Shantung, following fierce fighting during which the defenders were overwhelmed by savage Communist attacks, pro-Government despatches admitted today.

The evacuation was confirmed by the official Central Daily News, which quoted an official communique from the Nationalist headquarters at Hsuehchow, north Kiangsu, saying that more than 100,000 Communists had crossed the Yellow River southward to join the battle in Shantung.

Independent reports late today said that a large Communist army is at present awaiting the green light for an assault on Tse-yang (Yenchow), 30 miles south of Tawenkow and only 10 miles west of Chufu, birthplace of Confucius.

Military observers predict a major offensive against the Nationalist base of Hsuehchow at the junction of the Lunghai and Tientsin-Pukow railways as soon as the Communists have occupied all large Government held cities, north and west of this important Government stronghold.

In support of this view, they point to the increasing Red activity along the railway south of Hsuehchow, which has brought to a stand-still the train services along the 85 mile stretch between Hsuehchow and Pengku.—Reuter.

## COMMUNISM NOT LABOUR'S FRIEND

San Francisco, June 6.

Communism is no friend of union labour, the United Press was told in Wellington by one of Labour's best known contributors to world statesmanship, Prime Minister Peter Fraser of New Zealand.

The greying, soft-spoken Scot who came up from a labourer in Auckland and

## Nenni Socialists Suspended

Vienna, June 6.

The International Socialist Parties Conference today suspended the Italian Nenni Socialists, who are in alliance with the Communists.

The suspension, which came after a heated discussion, will be effective after a special conference late this month. The Nenni delegate was asked to remain as an observer.

The Saragat (anti-Communist) group of Italian Socialists was admitted to full membership of the Conference. The Nenni-Saragat split in the Italian Socialist party took place in January last year. Signor Giuseppe Saragat and his followers objected to Signor Pietro Nenni's "unity of action" with the Italian Communists.—Reuter.

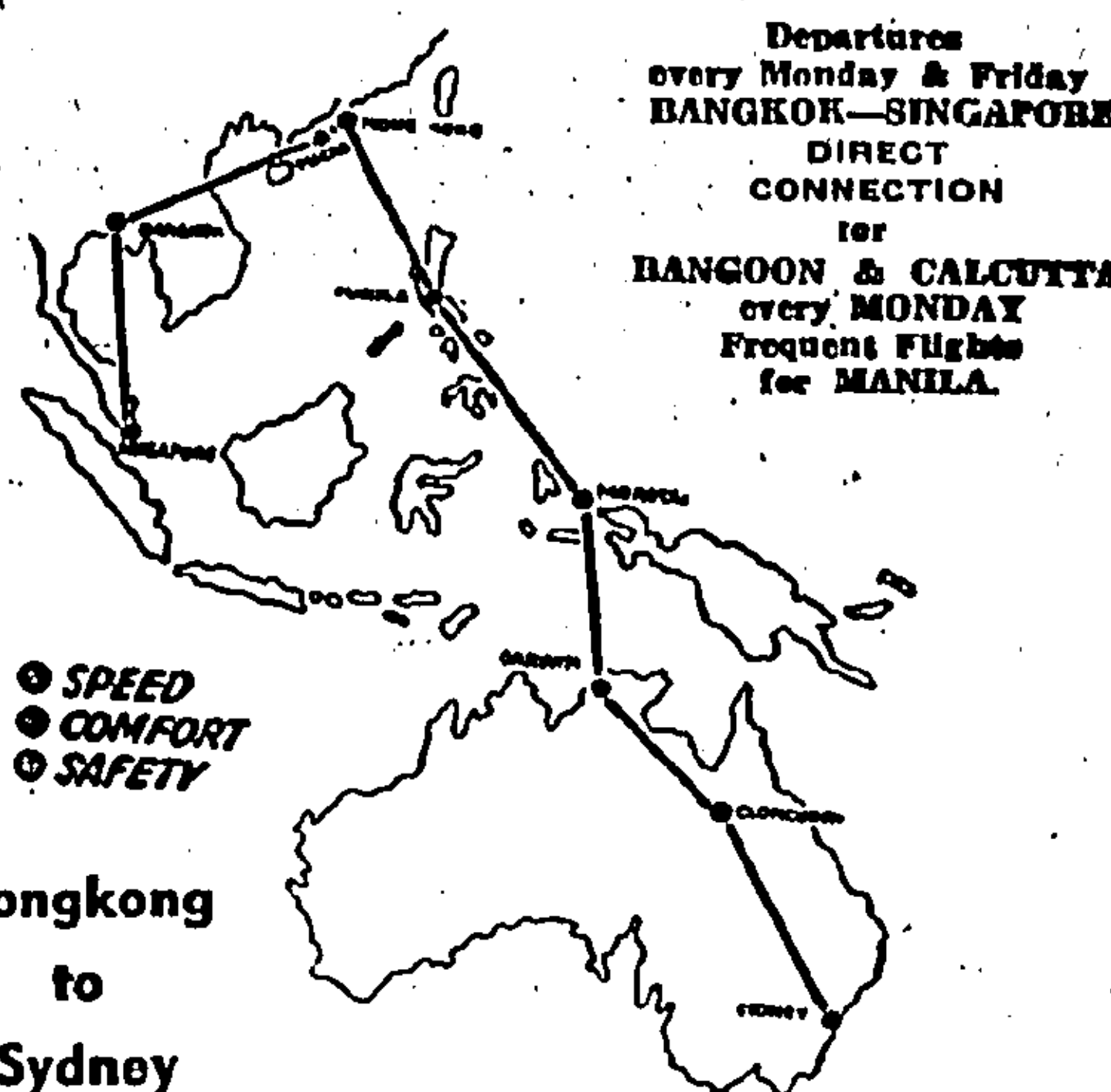
Wellington to lead his union and eventually the nation said: "New Zealand labour does not depend for its policy on dogmatic teachings and is utterly opposed to the Communist doctrine of dictatorship and use of force. Labour's humanitarian policy of social reconstruction under Parliamentary democracy is the very anti-thesis of the Communist policy of revolution based on hatred of humanity and intolerance."

Asked if he felt Communist influence responsible for the slow-down at the world's ports to hamper international trade between non-Communist nations, Fraser branded Communist influence as "detrimental to speed and shipping."

The 66-year-old Prime Minister who heads a country with the highest per capita production for export in the world has just won a lively fighting with Communist elements in the New Zealand unions.

The Communists attempted to gain domination "but their plan back-fired and after the Czechoslovakian catastrophe we really blitzed them here in New Zealand," Fraser said.—United Press.

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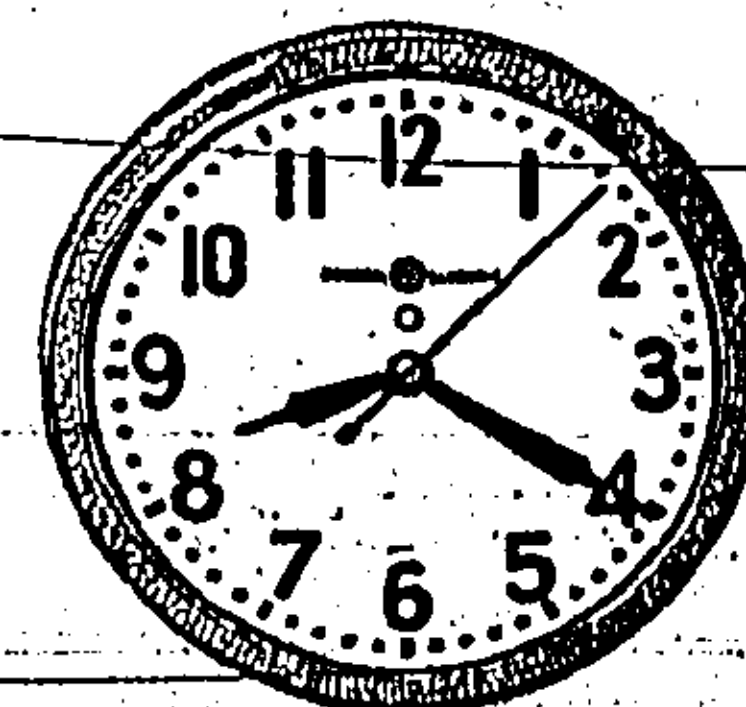
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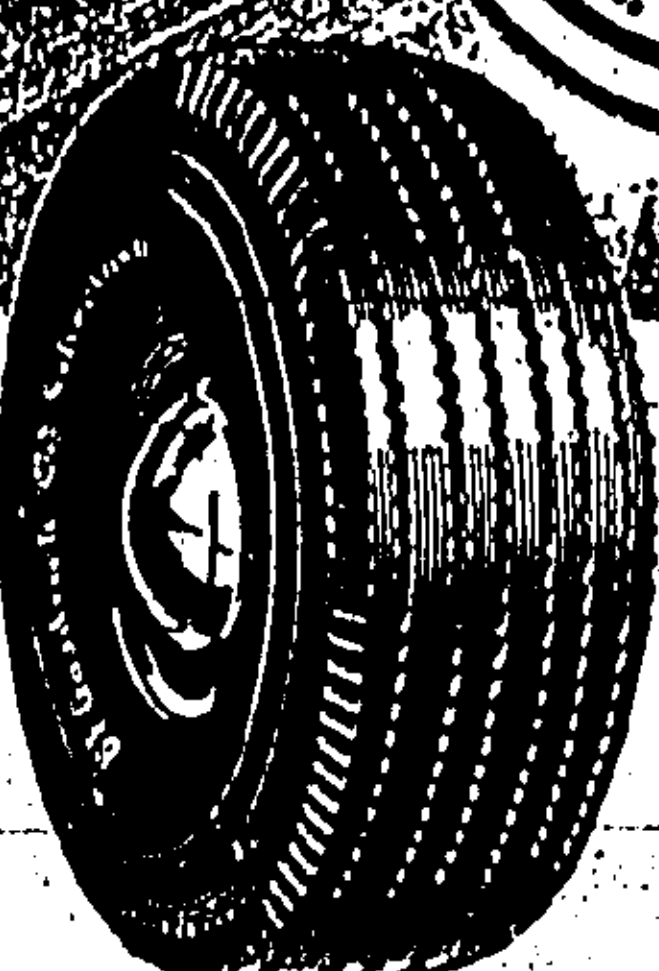
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tisbury this year was some-  
thing you couldn't see. It was  
the Invisible Curtain, and it divided  
the Spa Hall as surely as if a  
chalk line—half red, half white—  
had been drawn down the mid-  
dle.

On one side sat the safe,  
solid men of the Labour  
Party, mostly from the trade  
unions. On the other were the  
wild, left elements.

Only enough, these Leftist  
groups were actually on the left  
side of the hall, while the men  
of weight and substance occupied  
the centre stalls.

## Clue Of The Hair

They ran very much to type.  
From the balcony the central  
view showed a preponderance of  
grey and bald heads belonging to  
decent blue-sorted bodies who  
when they spoke jabbed their  
points home with stubby fore-  
fingers.

On the left were the thin, rest-  
less men, rather apt to run to a  
lot of hair, with horn-rimmed  
spectacles. Their speeches were  
laced with acid, and they spoke  
from much reading rather than  
from practical experience. You  
could usually tell to which  
category they belonged the  
moment they opened their  
mouths. If the first word to go

into the microphone was "Com-  
rades," they could almost auto-  
matically be set down as left of  
the line. If they began "Mr.  
Chairman," they were pretty cer-  
tain to be backed by years of  
experience as negotiators.

The Invisible Curtain re-  
presents the division in the La-  
bour Party.

On every issue the two fac-  
tions have fought each other on  
the same lines. Whether it has

By  
GEORGE MURRAY

been 'nationalisation, propaganda,  
iron and steel or foreign policy,  
those who want Socialism in  
double quick time and whose  
favourite colour is Red were at  
odds with those who believe in  
the inevitability of gradualness  
and who like nothing better than  
Pink.

## The PM Doodles

These warring emotions had  
their counterpart on the front  
bench in the Spa Hall.  
These sat Mr. Attlee through-  
out the whole talk-show, dood-  
ling, doodling, doodling. He look-

ed frail, like a piece of porcelain,  
as he sat hour after hour in  
absorbed attention on the  
quiggles he was creating.

Around him sat his lieutenants  
—bulky Bevin, quiffed Herbert  
Morrison with his thinning grey  
hair, Laski, mouth drawn down,  
Dillon, cool and collected, yet  
somehow on edge; Morgan Phil-  
lips with the card-index brain.

And in the centre, on the  
ornate red-leather-covered seat  
of honour, Emanuel Shinwell.  
Here was an excellent chairman,  
handling the large gathering with  
firmness and humour.

One delegate made a sly refer-  
ence to the "Thinker's Cuss." "The  
phrase is my copyright," cracked  
Shinwell. "You pay me royalties  
if you use it."

Backwards and forwards came  
the delegates, speaking in all the  
rich and varied dialects of the  
British Isles—including the Ox-  
fordshire lilt.

Notable among them were two  
of the oldest, Mr. Callaghan, of  
the National Union of Blast  
Foundrymen, a square, sturdy  
man speaking common sense  
about iron and steel with his  
blunt Northern speech. No  
nonsense about Callaghan.

The oldest, Mr. Rhys Davies,  
M.P. with white hair, clipped  
white moustache, and face a  
healthy brick-red. Mr. Davies is

a man of peace, and he shouts  
peace from the house or in-  
to a trembling microphone.

## Week's Best Phrase

"There is no dictatorship of  
the proletariat," boomed Mr.  
Davies. "It is a dictatorship of  
the ruthless over the helpless,  
of the cunning over the simple."

Here was the best phrase of  
the conference.

One pert delegate, hearing the  
big-shot talking behind him as  
he addressed the meeting, stop-  
ped his speech turned round and  
said: "Carry on, gentlemen...  
don't let me interrupt you."

Ministers abashed stopped  
their murmured talk.

Another called Bevin a "petu-  
lant prima donna"—an accusa-  
tion which the Foreign Secretary  
was at pains to disprove.

So the long, weary speeches  
took their toll of the long, weary  
hours in the bright room on the  
seafloor. The sparkle of the sun-  
lit waves outside danced on the  
ceiling, but their lure was set in  
vain.

The Labour Party had not  
come to bathe or promenade or  
bask in the sunshine. They had  
come to talk—and right longly  
they did it.



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CLAYTON  
WARNS  
SENATE

Washington, June 5.

Mr. William Clayton,  
special adviser to the Secre-  
tary of State, Mr. George  
Marshall, warned the Senate  
today against accepting cer-  
tain restrictions upon the  
Foreign Trade Agreements  
Act which have been ap-  
proved by the House of Re-  
presentatives.

He declared that such restric-  
tions would kill the reciprocal  
free trade agreement initiated by  
the former Secretary of State,  
Mr. Cordell Hull.

Mr. Clayton made a last-  
minute appeal to the Senate  
Finance Committee to recom-  
mend the reversing of the House  
of Representatives decision to re-  
strict the extension of the Act to  
one year and to limit the Presi-  
dent's power in negotiating re-  
duction in tariffs with other  
countries.

He contested the arguments  
advanced by some Senators that  
an extension of one year, in-  
stead of the three years advocat-  
ed by the Administration, was all  
that was necessary because most  
trade agreements with other  
countries had been concluded.—  
Reuter.

Pilgrims  
To Japan  
Expected

Tokyo, June 6.

Thousands of pilgrims from  
Europe and America may be ex-  
pected to visit Japan next year  
if the present plans for observ-  
ing the fourth centenary of St.  
Francis Xavier's arrival in Japan  
materialise, according to the  
Catholic news agency "Tosel  
News."

Catholic leaders in several  
European countries have already  
expressed their intention of or-  
ganising pilgrimages and nego-  
tiations with shipping companies  
indicate that the pilgrims will  
probably be accommodated  
aboard their ship during their  
stay here.

The main observances will be  
held in Tokyo and Nagasaki and  
will most likely be presided over  
by a special delegate from  
Rome, the news agency added.—  
Reuter.

STUART WARNING  
DRAWS PROTEST

New York, June 5.

The Left Wing Committee for Democratic Far East-  
ern Policy today announced that it had cabled  
the United States Ambassador in China (Dr. J.  
Leighton Stuart) to protest against his telling  
Chinese students that "they may not disagree  
with and agitate against American policy that  
affects their country."

The cablegram, signed by  
Maurice Russell, Executive Direc-  
tor, said:

"As Americans who affirm the  
right of self-determination for  
the Chinese people and oppose  
American interference in China's  
internal affairs, we are shocked  
by reports of your presuming to  
tell Chinese students they may  
not disagree and agitate against  
an American policy that affects  
their country.

"Threatening Chinese students  
with 'unfortunate results' gives  
the American Ambassador the  
same character as the pro-war  
Japanese imperialists, who also  
tried to curb patriotic sentiments  
and movements of the Chinese  
people.

"We resent our Government  
thus blatantly associating itself  
with... suppression of students."  
The announcement had been sent  
by the cablegram had been sent  
to the State Department in Wash-  
ington with the request that it  
reprimand Dr. Stuart's action.—  
United Press.

BRITONS BEATEN  
IN VERA CRUZ

London, June 6.

The Foreign Office today asked the British Con-  
sulate in Mexico City for a full report on the  
alleged detention of nine British sailors with-  
out charge, members of the crew of Empire  
Charmain.

The sailors disclosed their  
mistreatment yesterday in a  
letter to the Daily Mail.

They alleged that nine mem-  
bers of the crew of the 7,513 ton  
sugar freighter, Empire Charmain,  
were arrested in the Mexi-  
can Gulf port of Vera Cruz  
after going ashore and one of  
them was beaten and lashed to a  
pillar by Mexican authorities.

The letter was signed by 33  
members of the crew.

Today the Daily Mail front-  
paged their story and quoted the  
Empire Charmain's Captain  
John Henderson as saying: "The  
country is rabidly Communist  
and they hate Britain and Bri-  
tishers. As soon as we arrived  
the agent and Vice-Consul  
warned me and my men we  
would have to be very careful  
or there would be trouble."

The sailors complained that  
the British Vice-Consul in Vera  
Cruz, who is a Mexican, did not  
give them any attention.  
The Empire Charmain reached  
Liverpool this week.—United  
Press.

A JOKE  
BUT NOT  
FUNNY

Ootacamund, June 5.

The Russian Ambassador to  
India, Novikov, made a joke  
today at the United Nations  
Economic Commission for Asia  
and the Far East but he wasn't  
being funny.

He was mad because he did  
not want the British commis-  
sioner named by Geneva to become  
ECAFE commissioner.

The other members laughed  
when Novikov said "There was a  
monk who wanted to eat meat on  
Friday." So he baptised a pig as  
a trout but that did not mean he  
converted pork into fish."

Novikov gravely explained his  
parable meant you cannot make  
a Geneva commissioner into a  
United Nations commissioner just  
by naming him.—United Press.

Bride  
Collapses  
In Church

Dudley, June 5.

A marriage service was in-  
terrupted at its most solemn  
moment in St. James Church  
today and a young bride-to-  
be collapsed on the chancel  
steps.

George Thomas, 52, and Alice  
Finch, 22, were facing the altar  
and the clergyman made the de-  
claration required by ritual.

"If any man can show just  
cause why they may not law-  
fully be joined together, let him  
now speak."

Springing up in the church, a  
youth exclaimed:  
"I am his son."

Friends rushed to the aid of  
the swooning prospective bride  
and the clergyman and two con-  
sistories who had been standing at  
the church door went into the  
vestry.

The clergyman returned in a  
moment to say the wedding was  
off and Thomas left with the de-  
fectives.—Associated Press.

Dutch  
Ultimatum  
Denied

Batavia, June 6.

A Dutch spokesman tonight  
denied reports from Jogjakarta  
(not carried by Reuter) that the  
Netherlands delegation had given  
the Indonesian Republic two  
days in which to answer a note  
delivered yesterday to the Re-  
publican Premier, Dr. Mohamed  
Hatta, on foreign relations and  
other questions at issue.

It had been reported previous-  
ly that, following the agreement  
between the Soviet and Indone-  
sians to exchange Consuls, the  
Dutch had asked the Republic to  
say whether it would recognise  
Dutch sovereignty until the es-  
tablishment of the United States  
of Indonesia, and whether it  
wanted a plebiscite in Java,  
Sumatra and Madura.

Dr. Hatta today discussed the  
note with the Republican dele-  
gation which is negotiating with  
the Dutch. Meanwhile, the Se-  
curity Council's Good Offices  
Committee is sponsoring the  
negotiations which, it is feared,  
may break down if the Indonesian  
reply is considered unsatisfactory.  
—Reuter.



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Portland, Oregon, June 5.

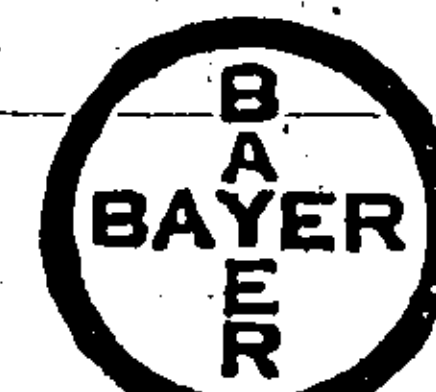
Evacuees from the flood obliterated city of Vanport  
were today still frantically searching the  
ravaged countryside for news of husbands,  
wives and children caught in the waters of the  
Columbia River a week ago.

Torrents, gathered from hun-  
dreds of creeks, rivers and  
lakes, had spilled down the  
mountainsides over thousands  
of square miles of the interior  
and drained into the river.

With dyke-breaking force, the  
water charged toward the sea,  
leaving 12 or more missing in  
Vanport, claiming more than a  
score of lives elsewhere, driving  
an estimated 60,000 persons from  
their homes and causing damage  
estimated as high as \$140,000,000.  
So many private homes were  
opened to the survivors of Van-

port's 18,700 population that  
medical teams could not locate all  
the people they wanted to in-  
oculate against typhoid, tetanus  
and measles.

In Portland's huge Civic Au-  
ditorium, homeless people moved  
uncertainly through the Red  
Cross processing centre.  
Some sat on folded chairs wait-  
ing to fill out the black disaster  
cards. A battery of typists work-  
ed to complete lists of the saved  
and missing. Registration con-  
tinued throughout the day, but  
there were still many who had  
not yet reported.—Reuter.



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# FRENCH PRESIDENT CALLS FOR UNITY AMONG VICTOR NATIONS

## FRENCH FINANCE SCANDAL

Paris, June 5.  
Four persons were arrested and about 100 questioned by the French Financial Police today in the investigation of approximately 10 billion francs of undeclared funds owned by French nationals and frozen in the United States, Great Britain and Switzerland.

Police Commissioner Perez Y. Juba, acting on instructions of Examining Magistrate Joseph Pichon, seized the dossiers of approximately 100 clients of the Franco-American law firm of Coeurteaux Brothers which has headquarters in New York.

This Paris branch of the firm is reported to have been approached by a group of French businessmen with funds frozen in the United States, Britain and Switzerland, requesting that "dummy" companies be set up in these countries with frozen funds. This would conceal these assets from the French Government.

Four of the arrested men were released on bail ranging from 10 to 40 million francs. They included three French industrialists and the bank administrator of the law firm, Unité Press.

The spokesman said this warning was delivered to the Jewish authorities in Haifa. Mr. Cyril Marriot, British Consul there, protested against the Jewish air raid on the R.A.F. base at Amman.

Mr. Marriot said the R.A.F. was under orders to respond to any attack on its bases with an attempt to shoot down raiding planes.

Furthermore, Government may have to consider the possibility of ordering R.A.F. planes to shoot down Jewish planes wherever and whenever they encounter them if such attacks continue.

The Foreign Office spokesman said Mr. Marriot was expressing his own views at that time but the Government has fully endorsed his statement.

The spokesman said the airfield attacked at Amman was used solely by R.A.F. planes and Transjordan civil planes. There are no Arab military planes at any of the R.A.F. airfields in Iraq, Transjordan or Palestine, he said. Transjordan leased Amman airfield to Britain under the Anglo-Transjordan treaty.

United Press.

## FULFILMENT OF UNDERTAKINGS

Paris, June 5.

The French President, M. Vincent Auriol, tonight called for unity among the victors of the second world war and the fulfillment of undertakings given by each of them. He was speaking at Port Endessin as part of the Normandy celebrations of the anniversary of D-Day tomorrow.

After paying a tribute to the Allied armies and French resistance men, whose efforts contributed to the success of the Normandy landings, he declared: "This immense expenditure of energy and wealth, both moral and material, in which the people exhausted themselves was the result of a victory thrown away and a lost peace."

"We must return to the principles which sustained all of us for five years, to the principles of the Atlantic Charter, signed by all the free nations and, although weakened, included in the charter of the United Nations."

"These principles are the best guarantee against distrust and fear and reservation, for they call for the fulfillment of undertakings."

"The responsibility lies as we well know on those national egoisms which, misunderstanding the profound revolution of the modern world, confused their particular interests with the true independence which was assured."

by the association of sovereignties in respect of international law," President Auriol said.

### French Security

"That is why France would claim on a basis of reciprocity the limitations of sovereignty necessary for international security: international control of arms, produced not only in factories but in laboratories, and the creation of an international army."

President Auriol continued: "We remain convinced that at the present moment there is no occasion for dispute which could not be solved given the will to succeed and a recognition of the need for international order, justice and prosperity."

"France has the right and the duty to be concerned for her security and that of all nations."

### Right And Duty

"She has the right to attain her legitimate part of reparations. She has the right and the duty to proclaim the dangers of any international policy which does not take into account her warnings and her experience."

"She will be the first to feel the serious consequences of such a policy."

"She has the right to demand that yesterday's enemy shall not be turned into a judge between the victors and that the victors naturally agree and keep their undertakings."

### ROYAL WEDDING ON THURSDAY

Athens, June 5.

The Royal Palace today said that ex-King Michael of Rumania and Princess Anne would arrive on Monday by private plane and would be married on Thursday.

United Press.

## POTENTIAL SOURCE OF FRICTION

Sydney, June 6.

The Sydney Herald today said that harsh enforcement of the Australian immigration laws could only "excite bitter prejudice" against the "White Australia" policy.

The paper was referring to the unfavourable reception in Malaya of the Australian goodwill mission. The White Australia policy, designed to protect Australian standards of living by refusing to take immigrants from cheap labour countries, "must be wisely and temperately interpreted," the Herald declared.

"The policy is clearly a potential source of serious friction but it is essential to the defence of our racial homogeneity and economic standards. Barriers must firmly be kept up. This fact is generally accepted, if not relished by our Asian neighbours and should not of itself prejudice the establishment of friendly relations necessary to our security and our economy."

But acts which "may be construed as racial hostility" must not implant the seeds of bitterness and hostility," the Herald concluded.

—Reuter.

## Fireman Killed

Shanghai, June 6.

A fireman was killed, another dying and several seriously hurt when chemicals stored in a downtown match factory today exploded in a fire allegedly started in the kitchen of a neighbouring restaurant.

The explosion violently shook the City Hall half a block away where Mayor K.C. Wu was giving a press conference in a tense atmosphere during student demonstrations.

Windows were blasted for blocks around and flying glass caused numerous cases of injuries.

The initial check showed the Chinese morning paper, the Commercial Journal, is seriously damaged, possibly totally lost, as the fire rapidly spread next door. Another Chinese morning paper, the Shin Wan Pao, also sustained damage but the management assured they will publish on Sunday.

Police investigating the fire said there is no evidence of sabotage or connection with the student trouble.

—United Press.

## RAF WARNING TO JEWISH PLANES

London, June 6.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that Royal Air Force planes might be ordered to shoot down Jewish fighters wherever they find them if the Jews persist in attacking R.A.F. bases in the Middle East.

The spokesman said this warning was delivered to the Jewish authorities in Haifa. Mr. Cyril Marriot, British Consul there, protested against the Jewish air raid on the R.A.F. base at Amman.

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United Press.

## JUDGE'S ORDER TO MR. LEWIS

Washington, June 6.

Judge T. Alan Goldsborough today ordered John L. Lewis to bargain with the Southern Coal Producers Association headed by Joseph Moody.

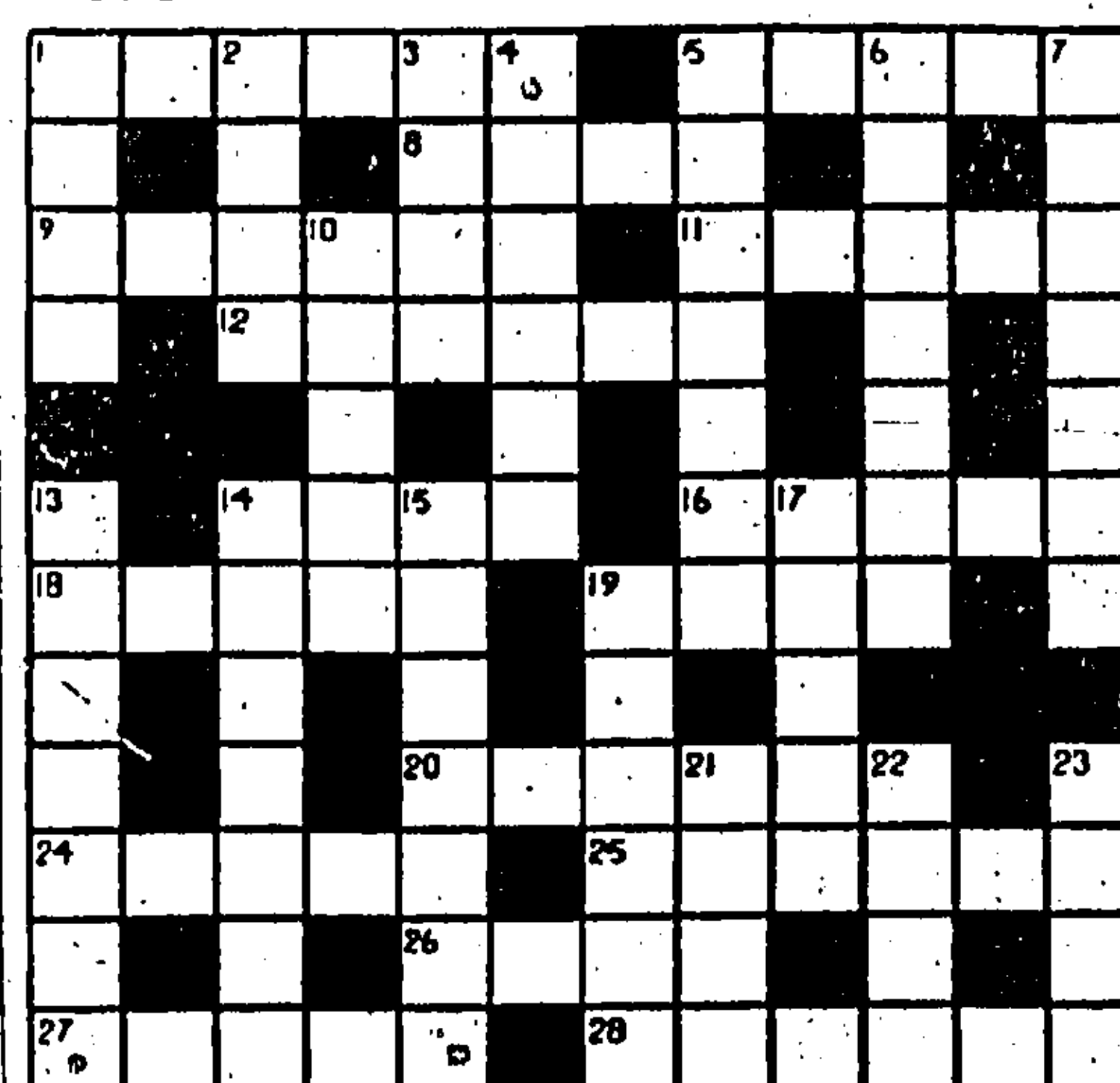
Contract talks between the Coal Operators and Lewis, who heads the United Mine Workers Union, broke down on May 13, when Lewis refused to consent to Moody sitting in the conference as the Association representative.

Lewis now has the choice of including the Southern Association in the bargaining talks or facing another fine for contempt of court.

Judge Goldsborough has already twice fined Lewis and the U. M. W. a total of \$2,130,000 for contempt of court. Previous charges arose when Lewis and the Union ignored the court orders requiring them to end the coal strikes.

—Associated Press.

### A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



#### Clues Across

- 1 Riddulous.
- 2 Encounters.
- 3 Percolate.
- 4 Infrequently.
- 5 Striking block.
- 6 Decree.
- 7 Grain.
- 8 Run away.
- 9 Adorn.
- 10 Excursion.
- 11 Vent.
- 12 Stage player.
- 13 Special.
- 14 Look for.
- 15 Rigid.
- 16 In actual fact.

#### Saturday's Crossword

- Across:—1 Litho, 4 Edicts, 8 Candid, 10 Aroma, 12 Ledger, 14 Diocese, 17 Pure, 19 Pleased, 20 Roverie, 22 Idea, 23 Starlie, 27 Street, 29 Goss, 30 Dodge, 31 Bull, 32 Lash, 33 S.

#### Clues Down

- 1 Recess.
- 2 Unconcerted.
- 3 Measure of area.
- 4 Territory.
- 5 Wander.
- 6 Surround.
- 7 Greeted ceremoniously.
- 8 Sag.
- 9 Unyielding.
- 10 Port of a ship's equipment.
- 11 Defamatory statement.
- 12 Walk feebly.
- 13 Mere.
- 14 Relate.
- 15 Remain.

- Down:—1 Lucid, 2 Tungs, 3 Exile, 5 Drag, 6 Chorus, 7 Sealed, 9 Desple, 11 Repair, 13 Deleted, 15 Reed, 16 Cheats, 18 Real, 20 Area, 21 Vessel, 24 Alone, 26 Road, 27 Cane, 28 Road.

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For	Date	Vessel
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

CUTS IN AID TO JAPAN  
LITTLE CHANGE OF ANY CHANGE

Washington, June 5.

Observers today said there was one weakness in the case for the Japanese economic programme which might threaten the success of Senatorial efforts to restore funds.

The Japanese programme has never received separate and formal Congressional authorization which other programmes received last March and April. For that reason, the Japanese fund request could be subject to a "point of order" from any member who desired to raise it and this might kill efforts to restore the US\$150,000,000.

Even if the Senate voted to restore the full amount for Japan, it would be necessary to submit such a measure to a joint House-Senate compromise committee.

## China Aid

Chances for restoration of \$63 million to the Chinese fund appear, on the face of things, slightly better.

Representative Walter Judd and other House sponsors of China aid did not attempt to restore the China cut in the House debate because they felt discussion then would be unfavourable. They thought it better to say nothing rather than have the House on record as definitely voting down an amendment to restore the \$63 million.—United Press.

## LONDON MONEY MARKET

London, June 5.

There has been a heavy turnover of funds in London's money market during the past week. Stringent conditions marked the start of the week and some official assistance had to be given.

The position inside a sharp turnaround when usual June interest disbursements on Government securities reached the market. Those disbursements, added to extensive maturities of Treasury Bills, created conditions of ease although much of the surplus was mopped up by heavy payments for fresh Treasury Bills, while banks concentrated on taking up Treasury deposit receipts.

The comfortable state of affairs continued and there was no further need for official help. The turnover in the discount market was moderate, owing to the ease in money market houses, which were not always willing sellers.

Only a small increase in active note circulation was shown by the Bank of England return. Bankers' balances were around £12,000,000 lower but public deposits recorded an increase of £8,000,000. Payment for Treasury deposit receipts more than absorbed bank interest receipts. Application for £170,000,000 Treasury Bills totalling £295,755,000—of which £170,000,000 was allotted at an average rate of ten shillings and 120 pence per cent.—Reuter.

## GOODWILL MISSION TO EAST

Singapore, June 6.

An Australian goodwill mission to South East Asia, led by Mr. W. MacMahon Ball, former Australian representative on the Allied Council in Tokyo, arrived at Kuala Lumpur from Batavia, Java, by air today.

The mission will distribute relief and education supplies worth £400,000 and scholarships for Australian universities.

Asked at a press conference if he thought the White Australian policy would continue, Mr. Ball replied that, in his opinion, "there is now a new consciousness in Australia that she belongs to the Pacific."

It is very likely that there will be change in Australian opinion in the coming decade. He said he would report to the Australian Government on the Asian reaction to the recent expulsions from Australia under the "All White" Australia policy.—Reuter.

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Bombay: Silver: Ready, per 100 tolas, 170 Rupees, 12 Annas; Forward, per 100 tolas, 170, 10; Marwar (unofficial), 170, 10; Gold: Delivered, per tola, 115, 11; Forward, (unofficial), 115, 01; Sovereign, 75, 08.

One tola is equal to 1/16th of an ounce.

Buenos Aires: Sovereign, buyers "02.00, sellers 04.00; U.S. Eagles, 104.00b, 108.00b; Gold, Bar, per gramme, 8.60b, sellers unquoted.

Alexandria: Gold, per "dinar" 105—105—105—Egyptian pound 400; Sovereign 515; Turkey pound 350; Napoleon 370; Dollar (piece de cinq) 490; Silver (piece) per Kilogram 225. One "dinar" is equal to 1/10th of an ounce.

Bangkok: Gold, Bar, per baht weight of 16.244 grammes (unquoted); Exchange Rate (selling), Bangkok on New York T.T. \$2.05, London 60.50, Hong Kong 3.70.—Reuter.

Washington, June 6. The National Coal Association estimated that \$23,230,000 tons of coal were produced in the US this year up to May 29.—Associated Press.

## Complaint Withdrawn

Washington, June 5. The Bureau of Customs announced today that the American Tung Oil Association has withdrawn its complaint against alleged dumping of tung oil from China. Customs officers are being instructed to proceed with their appraisal reports covering such oil without regard to any question of dumping.—United Press.

## Netherland's Invitation

Washington, June 6. The International Bank today announced that Mr. Eugene R. Black, its Executive Director for the United States, would leave on June 8 for a three-week visit to the Netherlands East Indies at the invitation of the Netherlands authorities. The announcement said that Mr. Black would go first to London and then to Amsterdam, leaving there on June 21 for Batavia. On his return trip, he will stop at Manila and Cebu. Mr. Black will be joined by Mr. Raoul de Sercey of the Loan Department, who will gather economic information.—United Press.

## MORE FOOD FOR EUROPE BUYING

Washington, June 5.

New procurement authorisations for foodstuffs and commodities under the Economic Cooperation Administration totalling \$33,638,370 were announced today.

These bring the total procurement authorisation to \$287,640,924. The new authorisations to ERP participants are: France—\$2,563,500; Denmark \$37,000; Norway \$39,000; Austria \$7,357,508; Greece—\$3,675,908; the Netherlands \$1,311,000; Italy \$13,310,000; Eltonia \$3,000,000. Included was the first authorisation to the Anglo-American Zone of Trieste to the value of \$1,844,457.

Of the total authorisations made by the ECA, \$190,117,400 has been for purchases by recipient states through normal trade channels. All of ECA's authorisation is for coal to be purchased in the United States.

Greece will receive wheat for the full amount of its authorisation, while the principal commodity to go to France will be lard to the value of \$1,140,000. The Netherlands will receive \$1,000,000 worth of steel mill products from the United States, \$250,000 worth of penicillin and other medicine and quantities of cross-ties.

The authorisations to Norway and Denmark are for follow on seed respectively.—Reuter.

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## Protest On Marshall Aid Denied

Paris, June 6.

Suggestions that the Marshall Aid nations were preparing to protest against certain conditions of aid proposed by Washington were described as "unfounded" in Paris official quarters tonight.

France is studying the bilateral draft treaty and officials here hope the agreement will be signed by the end of this month. There will naturally be negotiations on certain conditions proposed. The draft sent to the French includes a clause giving the United States most favoured nation treatment.

This, in the French view, is a matter which should appear in a reciprocal trade treaty. The French will also suggest that American proposals for controlling the use of Marshall Aid goods might be modified or reworded. The American draft also goes further than the Congress Act in suggesting that the United States should have the right to initiate "consultations" about the timeliness of revaluing the franc.—Reuter.

## NY BOND MARKET REVIEW

New York, June 5.

Domestic rails drifted irregularly, lower in limited dealings as investors lightened their commitments in response to an easier trend in railway shares on the Stock Exchange.

Investment quality of industrials and utilities displayed firmness, although most interest occurred in the flotation of several new issues, which were over-subscribed.

In the foreign section, South Americans were mixed with some price shading noted in the recently strong Brazilian issues and Uruguayan, while Chilean and Peruvian held steady. Some demand for Danish and some Belgian obligations, high-lighted Europeans. On the other hand, Dutch issues displayed easiness with 3 3/4% of 1957 establishing a new low for the year, Italians maintained stability in quiet dealings.

The House Appropriation Committee's recommendation that a moratorium on foreign debts owed to the United States be instituted instead of debt services through ERP funds had no immediate effect on Europeans.—Reuter.

## Ford Boosts Price Of His 1949 Model

Detroit, June 5.

Henry Ford II boosted prices on his 1949 model Fords nearly nine percent today, possibly paving the auto industry on another upward spiral.

He said the new cars would cost from US\$85 to US\$125 more than present models. The new models are due for display on June 18.

General Motors Corporation has said it will try to hold the price line of its current models despite the recent 11 cent an hour sliding wage settlement with its 250,000 Congress of Industrial Organizations United Auto Workers.

Chrysler Corporation, which gave its 75,000 employees a 13 cents an hour wage boost, has not said what effect, if any, this might have on its prices.

However, neither General Motors nor Chrysler, chief rivals of Ford in the lower priced field, has brought out any drastically new model low priced car since the war. They plan to do so, probably before the end of the year.

When they do, sources in the industry predicted, they will follow Ford's lead in hiking prices. It cost Ford US\$90,000,000 in new tools to build the 1949 model, Ford said. Ford also said his annual bill for materials and parts had increased US\$145,000,000 in two years. His employees' payroll jumped US\$120,000,000 that period, he added.—Associated Press.

## SOCIAL SECURITY EXPANSION

Washington, June 6.

The Congress approved and sent to President Harry Truman tonight legislation increasing by US\$184,000,000 annually the Social Security payments to 3,500,000 needy aged persons, blind persons and dependent children.—Associated Press.

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